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VIRTUAL BRITISH ULTIMATUM

Story Behind Joint Landing At Kulangsu

The landing of British, American and French marines at Kulangsu, which was carried out at 6 o'clock in the evening, followed what was a virtual British ultimatum to the Japanese.

This is revealed in a Reuter despatch from Kulangsu, which says that about 150 men took part in the landing.

Previous to this action, a "virtual ultimatum" was handed to the Japanese by the British Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Percy Noble.

The "ultimatum" threatened a landing unless all Japanese bluejackets landed on the island were withdrawn.

Admiral Noble also informed the Japanese that there could be no question of modification of the Kulangsu Municipal Council not in accordance with the Land Regulations.

Reuter describes the concentration of warships at Amoy as international. It includes H.M.S. Birmingham, H.M.S. Duncan and H.M.S. Defender, the American cruiser Marblehead and the destroyer Bulmer, and the French cruiser Emile Bertin.

Reuter adds that there are now only 42 Japanese sailors remaining on Kulangsu out of the force of 200 landed last week.

(See Page Eleven).

SOVIET ATTITUDE ON PEACE FRONT

New York, To-day.

The Soviet "is prepared to co-operate on the basis of complete reciprocity and equal obligations with Powers interested in the maintenance of peace," declared the Russian Ambassador, M. Cumansky, dedicating the Soviet Pavilion at the World's Fair.

However, he added, "the Soviet people are not impressed by threats, neither do they beg for alliances."—Reuter.

BRITISH REPLY NOT YET SENT TO MOSCOW

Paris, To-day.

Trans-Ocean's Paris representative has received a highly illuminating piece of information from reliable French diplomatic circles, to the effect that the British reply to the Moscow proposals has not yet been communicated to the Soviet Government in spite of the fact that the alleged contents of the British note are published in all French papers.

The same circles state that the French Government has sent certain suggestions to London which might be used as basis for the British reply and these are now being studied at Whitehall.

The premature publication of the alleged Note is due, it is stated to the sensation seeking elements who are pressing for an early decision in the Anglo-Soviet talks, in view of the British commitments with respect to Rumania, Turkey and Poland, and the effect of these on the general European trend.—Trans-Ocean.

CIANO'S STATE VISIT TO BERLIN

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, COUNT CIANO, IS ABOUT TO VISIT BERLIN, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE LAST NIGHT.

Ciano will arrive in Berlin on Sunday morning.

The German-Italian military pact will be signed by von Ribbentrop and Ciano at the Reich Chancellor's Palace on Monday morning in the presence of the German Ambassador in Rome, von Mackensen, and the Italian Ambassador in Berlin, M. Attolico.

On Sunday, Ciano will lay a wreath on the German war memorial and attend a reception given by von Ribbentrop who will give a lunch in honour of Ciano at the Hotel Kaiserhof on Sunday.

Count Ciano will be received twice by the Fuehrer and return to Rome on Tuesday morning.—Trans-Ocean.

LITHUANIAN AGREEMENT WITH GERMANY

Kovno, To-day.

M. Urbays, the Lithuanian Foreign Minister, is expected to pay a visit to Berlin during the course of the next few days.

The purpose of the visit is said to be the signing of the agreement concluded between Germany and Lithuania.

By virtue of this agreement, which already exists in outline, both countries pledge themselves to refrain from recourse to force in the settlement of their differences and from being a party to an act of aggression committed against either of them by a third power.

The conclusion of this German-Lithuanian agreement was foreshadowed in the treaty concluded between the two countries on March 22 on the occasion of the reincorporation of Memelland into the Reich.

Von Ribbentrop is expected to append Germany's signature to the new agreement.—Trans-Ocean.

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DOCTOR OPERATES WITH GUN HELD TO HIS RIBS

Blonde Gun-girl Acts As Nurse

New York, May 4.

With a horsehair sofa as his operating table, a razor blade as his scalpel, and a blonde gun-moll as his nurse, a Chicago doctor performed to-day, with a pistol sticking in his ribs, an operation usually fatal even in the world's best hospitals. His patient was a gangster wounded in a battle with the police.

Lured to a dingy boarding-house by a telephone call that said a woman was in immediate danger, Dr. Siegmund Hirschfield found himself face to face with a red-haired gunman who pointed to his wounded companion and told the doctor: "Operate or die."

The patient had just been shot through the abdomen during an attempted hold-up at a tavern close by.

"IT WAS MY JOB"

While the doctor worked by the light of a dim lamp he was told that the man whose life he was trying to save had just murdered a man and critically wounded two policemen.

Dr. Hirschfield told me by long-distance telephone to-night: "I realised I had found a man who did not deserve to live, a man who was no good. Yet I had to do my best to save him. That was my job.

"I had no anaesthetic. Every time the man lying on the sofa moaned, when I struck some nerve centre I could sense my crazed guard tightening his trigger finger.

"When I went to the address given over the telephone I was met by a blonde young woman and the hard-faced, red-haired man.

"The man showed me a dark-haired man lying on a bed, with his face pasty from loss of blood, and said: 'Fix him up.'

"He looked just about dead, and I said. 'He ought to be taken to hospital.'

"To my amazement the wounded man got up on one elbow and snarled at his friend: "Give me that rod [pistol].' Then he pointed the gun at me, and said. "Fix me up.'

"I shrugged my shoulders and said 'No instruments.' The red-haired man handed me a razor-blade, and growled 'Use this.'

'GIMME THAT'

"The blonde brought me hot water and clean towels. There weren't enough towels, so they brought handkerchiefs.

"It took me about half an hour before I reached the bullet, near the man's spine.

"As I removed it he twisted his head and said 'Gimme that bullet. I'm going to send it back with interest to the guy who fired it.'

"About four hours later, when they had packed up all their belongings, the man I operated on tried to walk out without help. I've never seen such endurance.

"His companions carried him from the house. Then I went to the police."

The police have identified the bandits as J. Wilson and Edward Riley, from Detroit. A man hunt has been ordered along all roads out of Chicago.

HITLER LOSING GUIDE

Hitler was held responsible in the House of Commons for a Bill to end burning pit heaps in Britain.

Mr. J. J. Tinker, Socialist member for Leigh, said: "One of the reasons for this Bill is a man with whom we disagree in many things. I mean the German leader."

Mr. G. A. Griffiths (Socialist member for Hemsworth) said that burning heaps would guide enemy aircraft.

The third reading was agreed to.

PARSONS TO BE 'MIND' DOCTORS?

The Council of the British Medical Association recommends, that people without medical qualifications should be recognised as qualified to treat mental disorders—providing these laymen are properly trained and work only in conjunction with doctors.

The report, published in the "British Medical Journal," says that the Council has reappointed the special committee inquiring into the medical equipment for dealing with mental health and hopes to submit a report in 1940.

RELIGIOUS PROBLEMS

"It has been represented to the Council that the clergy have valuable opportunities of preventive work in mental cases, and that they should be trained in medical psychology.

"It has been argued that the clergy, in co-operation with doctors, should treat mental disorders which have their roots in religious problems.

"The Council recognises that clergymen can perform valuable work of an educational or preventive character, and it sees no reason why the medical profession should not co-operate in the instruction of the clergy in the principles of medical psychology."

Man In Court As Woman

PARIS, MAY 4.

WHEN A YOUNG MUSIC-HALL ARTIST, MARCEL POULAIN, APPEARED IN COURT HERE TO-DAY AS PLAINTIFF IN A LIBEL ACTION HE WORE WOMEN'S CLOTHES AND HIGH-HEELED SHOES.

Poulain had brought an action for damages against a Paris illustrated magazine for having incorporated an alleged interview and a picture of him in an article on the Paris underworld.

The case was being heard before a crowded court when a tall, elegantly dressed brunette, with three rings of pearls round her neck, walked to the barristers' bench followed by another young woman.

She sat next to Poulain's counsel, who was addressing the court, opened her handbag and proceeded to put rouge her lips.

JUDGE SHOCKED

"Who are you, madam?" said the presiding judge.

To the judge's amazement "she" replied sharply: "I am Marcel Poulain," and, pointing to the woman, added: "This is my wife!"

All in court except the judge laughed loudly.

"How dare you come here disguised as a woman?" said the judge when calm was restored.

"Women are forbidden to wear masculine costume, but there is no law to prevent a man from dressing as a woman if he wishes to," replied Poulain.

The judge dismissed the case and said Poulain's appearance in feminine costume was an "improper and impudent exhibition."

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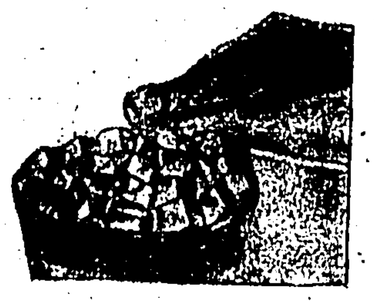

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They will patrol all parts of the city, doing two periods of duty a week, working on a rota system.

Six hundred and thirty special constables have been enrolled, but as only a percentage have been sworn in, all of them are not yet available.

In the past eleven weeks Coventry has had fourteen bomb outrages.

Firnig practice will be carried out from Fort Stanley between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. today.

Japan's Reply To North China Protest Not Satisfactory

TRIES DEVICE OF PLACING ONUS ON PUPPET

London, To-day.

Questions on the trade situation in North China were asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Commander A. Marsden (Conservative, Chertsey).

Commander Marsden asked what reply had been received from the Japanese Government to the protest of the British Government against their action in prohibiting exports from North China unless the foreign exchange proceeds were sold against Japanese Federal Reserve banknotes at 1/2d., and

Whether foreign trade in Tientsin was still affected by this prohibition.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in a circulated reply, said the reply of the Japanese Government stated that the measures taken were intended to secure that Federal Reserve notes, which were the only legal currency in North China, should adequately fulfil the functions of trade and currency.

ACCORDING TO JAPANESE

It was not the case that general control of trade and foreign exchange transactions in North China was under contemplation, according to the Japanese.

Endorsement of transactions would obtain without discrimination provided the trader conformed with the prescribed procedure, and British interests would meet with no unfair obstacles.

The Japanese Government considered that no question of Treaty rights could arise in connection with such measures, because the "provisional government" had full sovereign rights in the matter of the import and export system.

REPLY UNSATISFACTORY

For these reasons, the measures in question did not conflict with Japanese assurances that the interests of third powers would be respected, and the Japanese Government was therefore justified in co-operating in establishment of the new system.

These measures (Mr. Butler went on) continue seriously to affect foreign trade in Tientsin.

His Majesty's Government consider the Japanese reply unsatisfactory, and further strong representations are under consideration. — Reuter.

DECISION TO REVALUE PUPPET DOLLAR

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

SEMI-OFFICIAL TIENTSIN NEWSPAPERS REPORT THAT THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED FEDERAL RESERVE BANK IN NORTH CHINA HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED TO REVALUE THE NEW RESERVE BANK DOLLAR, NOMINALLY WORTH 1/2d. at 8d.

Object of the move is to decrease

DOLE IS ABOVE NAZI PAY

UNEMPLOYED IN BRITAIN ARE BETTER OFF THAN SKILLED WORKERS EMPLOYED IN GERMANY, MR. HUGH QUIGLEY, ECONOMIST TO THE CENTRAL ELECTRICITY BOARD, TOLD THE CONFEDERATION OF MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AT CAXTON HALL, WESTMINSTER.

Britain's capacity to absorb unemployed was very much greater than that of any other country, including Germany.

"It is a fallacy to state that unemployment does not exist in Germany, whereas we have still two million unemployed in this country," he said.

"The difference between Germany and this country in the treatment of unemployed is simple, but it is fundamental.

ARMAMENT "INSANITY"

"In this country we give them unemployment insurance and other forms of pecuniary assistance, which in the aggregate represents a level of wages higher than that paid to skilled men in Germany.

"In Germany they put the unemployed into the army and save considerable sums of money thereby, while adding to the uneasiness of Europe."

Mr. Quigley said that there was a severe economic war in progress. It was manifestly impossible for the whole world to be engaged on rearmament indefinitely, because there were not enough easily accessible economic resources in the world to maintain this insanity for long.

R.A.F. OFFICER LOSES CAR

Flight Lieutenant Ellin, of the Royal Air Force, Kai Tak, parked his car, No. 283 in the Saigon Street Car Park yesterday, and on returning a few hours later found that the vehicle had been driven away by an unauthorised person.

The car has not yet been traced and is valued at $600.

STAN LAUREL SECURES DIVORCE

Los Angeles, To-day.

The comedian Stan Laurel, of Laurel and Hardy fame, was yesterday divorced from his third wife, the Russian singer, Vera Ileana.

Laurel cited numerous occasions on which his wife left home and became intoxicated. This, he said, interfered with his work.—Reuter.

THE CHILDREN'S FAIR

Children who went to the Helena May Institute last Xmas to see Mrs. Womack's little Pantomime, "The Three Bears" may be interested to learn that they can see two of their old friends again, as Mr. and Mrs. Bear have kindly consented to appear at the Children's Fair where they will be "At Home" in their own Den.

Lovely prizes can be won by throwing rings and balls in the Bear's Den, and lucky winners will receive their prizes from the hands of Mrs. Bear in person.

The Fair will open on Saturday afternoon on the vacant ground adjoining the Peninsula Hotel.

LINDEN BANK LOSS: CONSULAR INQUIRY

Manila, To-day.

The finding of the Consular inquiry into the loss of the British freighter Linden Bank, south of Manila last week, was published yesterday.

It says the actual position of the ship when she struck the reef was 10 miles south of her estimated position, but whether the error was due to the unusual set of the currents or otherwise has not been determined.

It adds that the Master took all steps possible to ensure the safety of ship and crew. — Reuter.

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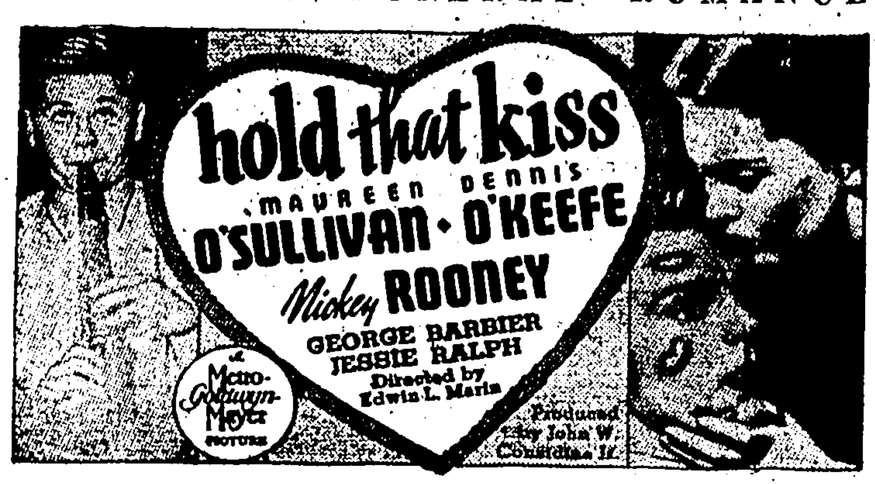

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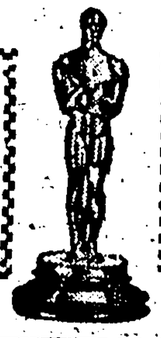

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FALL IN ASSETS RECORDED AT MEETING OF CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE

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The chairman said:—

I wish to preface the few remarks I am about to make with an expression of regret that Sir Robert Ho Tung is not with us to-day. It is well over 20 years since he joined the Consulting Committee of this company, and during that period the benefit of his sound advice was constantly at our disposal; advancing years, however, brought with them a wish for relief from the cares of business and, in expressing our most sincere thanks for his many valued services, we wish him long life and all happiness in his retirement. I am pleased to be able to inform you that the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo has accepted our invitation to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sir Robert.

It is with regret that I have also to advise the resignation of Mr. Felix A. Joseph from the Consulting Committee. Mr. Joseph left for England early last month and to him likewise we tender our best thanks and all good wishes for the future.

The out-turn of the account for 1937, though rather better than we had at one time anticipated, is poor in comparison with its predecessors of recent years, the contributing factor to this being the adverse result of our Sterling operations, more particularly in respect to London.

INCOME ROSE

Our premium income rose by $524,296 over that for 1936, but so also did Losses by the figure of $551,706. When we met last year, we had reason to be hopeful about this account but this was unfounded and it has proved to be rather worse than 1936. A comparison of ratios between the two years reveals losses at 69.63 per cent. for 1937 as against 64.64 per cent. for 1936, charges at 26.43 per cent. as against 28.93 per cent. and a balance of 3.94 per cent. as against 6.43 per cent. Interest is up by $11,521.

The balance at credit of working account, 1938, as at December 31 last, stood at $2,174,826 and though this sum is $189,189 less than the carry forward for 1937, at the same stage, we have hopes that as the result of some drastic pruning there will be a marked improvement.

Recalling the results for 1936 and 1937, I am chary of saying too much about the final outturn for the 1938 account but there are influences at work, such as increased rates and the elimination of certain undesirable business, that form a basis for a moderate degree of optimism.

Scrutiny of the balance sheet will reveal that the total of assets has fallen by H.K.$1,137,319, or £70,490 as expressed in Sterling. This is due partly to the loss sustained on our holdings of Shanghai mortgages and debentures (both in respect of price and exchange), partly to delayed claims attaching to earlier years which have made severe inroads into the underwriting suspense account, and also to the reduced balances that have been brought in for the years 1937 and 1938.

CARE OF FUNDS

On the other side, it will be found that reinsurance fund is down by $804,362 as the result of a very necessary transfer of £50,000 to the underwriting suspense account to meet the delayed losses already referred to. Investment and exchange fluctuation account has fallen by $363,269 and the shrinkage would have been greater had not this reserve received support from other directions. Underwriting suspense account shows an increase of $388,132, resulting from the transfer of £50,000 that I have already mentioned.

I would reiterate what my predecessor said last year as to the care of Funds in these difficult days; the problem since then has intensified and it working will be such as to neutralise this loss, which we hope will not be permanent.

As in previous years all investments and mortgage loans have been included at—or under—market price or face value respectively.

DIVIDENDS UNCHANGED

The surplus to be dealt with for the 1937 account is $911,762, out of which has been paid an interim dividend of $5 a share. We now recommend a final payment of $8 a share—making in all $13 a share—which will absorb $650,000 and the transfer of the balance of $261,762 to underwriting suspense account to close 1937 and previous years.

The balance of $2,174,826.54 at credit of 1938 account allows of the payment of an interim dividend of $5 a share for that year, leaving an amount of $1,924,826 to be carried forward.

There is little more to say and it is hardly necessary for me to point out the present difficulties that attend "marine" insurance in common with all other forms of commerce in the Far East. Genuine trade cannot flourish under the existing conditions of unrest and uncertainty and I fear we must anticipate a further drop in income during the current year.

Still, we are carrying along quietly, avoiding trouble and looking for the better times that will surely come. We face the future with the knowledge that we have a strong and solid balance sheet.

There being no questions, resolutions were passed appropriating the surplus of $661,762.32 to pay a final dividend of $8 a share and to add $261,762,43 to underwriting suspense account; re-electing Messrs. D. E. Clark, A. H. Compton, T. E. Pearce, J. H. Taggart and S. T. Williamson to the consulting committee; and re-appointing Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming as auditors for the year.

BRUTAL ATTACK FOR $3 EARRING

RUBBING PEPPER INTO THE EYES OF HIS VICTIM, A CHINESE HIGHWAY ROBBER ESCAPED AFTER SNATCHING A $3 EARRING FROM A 58-YEAR-OLD CHINESE WOMAN, NG SZE, YESTERDAY AFTERNOON IN STUBBS ROAD.

According to the woman, she was attacked while walking up Stubbs Road to Ling Nam School taking eatables to her master's son who was studying in the school.

After tearing off the earring, the robber pushed the woman into a nullah and ran away.

She was rescued by a party of Chinese who passed in a car a few minutes later. They turned the car round and drove down Stubbs Road attempting to locate the robber, but were unsuccessful.

DEBATE ON PALESTINE

London, To-day.

The White Book of the British Government on the Palestine question will be subject of a debate in the House of Commons, when the Government will move that the House approve the proposals con-

ALLEGED TRAFFIC IN BOYS BETWEEN CHINA AND MALAYA: COMMONS QUERY

London, To-day.

Does the buying and selling of Chinese children still persist in Hong Kong and Malaya?

Has attention been drawn to a statement by Mr. P. Oakley, Assistant Protector of Chinese, Selangor (Malaya) that it is no offence to sell a boy?

These two questions were asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. W. Leach (Central Bradford, Labour).

The Colonies Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, said that attention had been drawn to a press report of the statement.

The buying and selling of children, with a view to slavery, prostitution or other immoral and unlawful purposes, was forbidden by law both in Malaya and Hong Kong.

The recent Commission which investigated the problems of mui tsai in Hong Kong and Malaya, made searching enquiries of any system of transfer affecting boys, but reported that no such system involving an element of bondage, either on pretext of adoption or on any other pretext, was found to exist.

BOYS SENT TO MALAYA

Recently there had been cases of boys sent to Malaya for the purpose, it was believed, of removing them from the zone of hostilities in China.

Mr. Macdonald had taken steps to assure himself that the authorities in Hong Kong and Malaya were co-operating to maintain strict watch against the development of abuses.

If the circumstances warranted, specific controlling legislation would be enacted.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S NEW CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

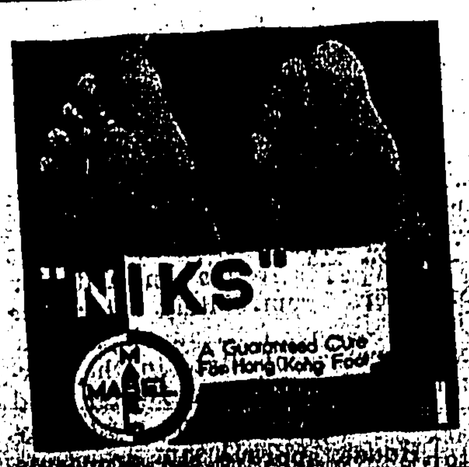
LONDON, TO-DAY.

ADMIRAL SIR DUDLEY POUND HAS BEEN APPOINTED LORD COMMISSIONER OF THE ADMIRALTY AND CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF.

He succeeds Admiral Sir Roger Backhouse, who has relinquished the appointment owing to ill health.

Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham has been appointed Commander-in-Chief, the Mediterranean, with acting rank of Admiral, in succession to Admiral Sir Dudley Pound.

Rear-Admiral T. A. V. Phillips has been appointed Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Deputy Chief of Naval Staff in succession to Vice-Admiral Cunningham. — Reuter.



BRITISH REPLY TO HITLER

London, To-day.

The Labour member, Mr. Arthur Henderson, asked the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday whether the British Government had answered Hitler's declaration that the Fuehrer was prepared to negotiate with the British Government regarding the naval armament.

Mr. Henderson also asked whether it were intended to inform Herr Hitler that England had no desire to enter into a race against Germany for a supremacy either in armaments or in economic affairs.

Mr. Chamberlain answered that the reply to the first part of the question was in the negative. The text of the answer is still undergoing consideration.

Mr. Henderson thereupon asked for a reply to his second question, whereupon Mr. Chamberlain answered that he had already said that text of the answer of the British Government was still under consideration. — Trans-Ocean.

"ASSASSIN" GOES OUT WITH A PEN-KNIFE

Washington, To-day.

A young man trying to climb the fence round the White House yesterday was arrested and found to be armed with a stone and a penknife.

He gave the name Frank Twers, and is stated to have told the police he intended to "kill Roosevelt because he was not good to the poor."

Twers is being held in hospital for observation. — Reuter.

WATER POLICE STATION ROBBERY

A cat-burglar has apparently been active in the precincts of the Water Police Station, as indicated by a report made by Mr. W. P. Thomson, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Kowloon.

Mr. Thomson reported that between 6 a.m. on May 6, and 12 noon on May 9, a clock, in his quarters at the Water Police Station, was stolen.

The clock was valued at $80.

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INVESTITURE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE TO-DAY

MR. MAURICE FREDERICK KEY, SECRETARY OF HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE INSIGNIA OF AN OFFICER IN THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE, AT AN INVESTITURE HELD AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE THIS MORNING.

Medals of the Imperial Service Order were also conferred by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, on Mr. George William Coysh, retired Colony Assistant Shipping Master, and Mr. Sung Teng-man, retired Chief Chinese Clerk in the Civil Service.

Following the reading of the Royal Warrant by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl McGregor, His Excellency the Governor decorated Mr. Key, prior to which His Excellency addressed him as follows:

"Mr. Maurice Frederick Key, By the Command of the King, conveyed to me by His Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, I am about to present to you the Insignia of an Officer in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S TRIBUTE

"It is, of course, principally by your services to the Colony as Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce that you have earned this token of His Majesty's recognition. In that capacity you have shown that you possess vision, technical knowledge and sound commonsense.

"This Colony, depending as it does almost entirely upon its trade, owes much to men who achieve a detached point of view and whose advice is given with clarity and sincerity. As you cannot fail to be aware, there is widespread appreciation both within and without the Chamber that those qualities markedly characterise your work as the Chamber's right hand man.

"But although your own regular duties have always put a heavy burden on your shoulders you have not shrunk from extraneous work when the need arose. Thus, to mention only three instances in three consecutive years, in 1922 you organised the local Swatow Typhoon Relief Fund: in the next year you organised the Local Fund for the Relief of Sufferers in the Earthquake in Japan: in 1924 you were occupied with the Hong Kong exhibit at the Wembley Exhibition. Many subsequent instances could be cited.

"It gives me much pleasure to present this insignia to you."

IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDALS

Mr. Key was supported by the Hon. Attorney-General, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, and Colonel (Dr.) G. D. R. Black.

His Excellency then addressed Mr. Coysh and Mr. Sung as follows:

"Mr. George William Coysh, by the Command of the King, conveyed to me by His Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, I am about to present to you the Imperial Service Medal.

"You have recently retired from the Hong Kong Civil Service which you entered thirty-five years ago as a Sanitary Inspector thereafter transferring to the Harbour Department as Deputy Shipping Master. Prior to this long period of service during which you have won and maintained an excellent reputation, you served in the Royal Navy for nine years, leaving in April 1904 as a Yeoman, 2nd Class. Your total period in the service of the British Crown, therefore, amounts to nearly 44 years, a splendid record and one which has well deserved His Majesty's recognition.

"It gives me much pleasure to present this Medal to you and I congratulate you warmly on having won it."

PROBITY AND SAGACITY

Mr. Sung Teng-man, by the Command of the King, conveyed to me by His Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, I am about to present to you the Imperial Service Medal.

"It is now more than 37 years since you were appointed an interpreter in the Police Department, your first post in the Hong Kong Civil Service. In 1918 you were transferred to the Medical Department as an accountant where you gained promotion in that branch and in 1935 you were appointed Director of Widows' and Orphans' Pensions, a post which reflected the trust which the Government placed in your probity and your sagacity.

"Your long and faithful service of a highly meritorious nature has won for you the recognition of His Majesty as well as the high regard of your fellow citizens.

"It gives me much pleasure to present this Medal to you: I congratulate you warmly on having won it."

SOUTH AFRICA AND INFLUX OF JEWS

Capetown, To-day.

"Excessive immigration" of Jews into South Africa elicited protests in the House of Assembly yesterday.

Mr. Eric Louw said that official statistics showed that 16,882 foreign Jews had settled in the South African Union during the period, 1928 to 1938.

The speaker pointed out that these did not include illegal immigration, the existence of which had been admitted by the Government.

In defiance of regulations limiting immigration, which had been enacted an additional 1,118 Jews had, according to the report, entered the Union in 1938, while during the first four months of the present year, 977 had been admitted. The speaker demanded measures to check this immigration.

Mr. Erasmus protested against the numerous changes of their family names by the Jews.

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Stuttaford, expressed his disapproval of this practice. — Trans-Ocean.

ANGLO-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS IN FOREFRONT OF POLITICS

London, To-day.

THE Anglo-Soviet negotiations continue to occupy the forefront of political interest in London.

The decision of the British Government to lose no time in transmitting a new note to Moscow is regarded as an unmistakable evidence of its desire to reach definite agreement.

It is fully realized that the new trend of British foreign policy based on the system of guarantees of assistance against aggression would end in fiasco unless rounded off by an Anglo-Soviet agreement.

This holds good in regard to the Anglo-Turkish pact which would be robbed of much of its meaning if left standing alone.

GREATEST IMPORTANCE ATTACHED

Quite apart from these considerations, there is not the slightest doubt that the position of the Prime Minister would be seriously imperilled by a breakdown in the parleys with Moscow as the Opposition could not wish for a better opportunity to voice its grievances against the Government.

Lord Halifax attaches the greatest importance to the success of the negotiations.

Conservative circles admit that the fate of the Prime Minister may now be dependent upon the Anglo-Soviet negotiations.—Trans-Ocean.

TROOP TRAIN BOMBED

Chungking, To-day.

A squadron of Chinese planes bombed a Japanese troop train in the vicinity of Kashan, on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway, on Sunday, according to a Shanghai report.

The train was wrecked and the Japanese suffered many casualties. —Central News.

TRESPASSER AT STANLEY FORT

FOUND TRESPASSING IN THE STANLEY FORT YESTERDAY, AN UNEMPLOYED MOTOR-DRIVER, YUNG KAM, WAS CHARGED BEFORE MR. T. J. HOUSTON THIS MORNING.

It was disclosed that accused was stopped and warned when he first attempted to enter the Fort, and that he subsequently made several attempts to enter while the sentry was engaged interrogating a passenger in a motor-car.

Accused explained that he was instructed by an officer in the Fort from whom he had previously obtained a cheque, to return for an interview.

The case was adjourned for 24 hours for further inquiries.

ITALY GIVES AN ASSURANCE

London, To-day.

The Italian Government has intimated in a communication sent to London that arrangements have been made for evacuation of Italian volunteers immediately after the Victory Parade in Madrid, the Under Secretary of State in the Foreign Office, Mr. R. A. Butler, told the House of Commons yesterday afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.

APRIL'S BOOST IN HONG KONG'S TRADE

Gross Total Little Below That Of Last Year

Best Month Of Present Year

Despite the cutting off of trade with Canton, Hong Kong's merchandise trade figures for the month of April this year only registered a slight drop when compared with the figures for 1938, when cargo was pouring through Hong Kong and Canton and China, the "China Mail" learned to-day.

Imports into Hong Kong during April, 1938, were to the total value of $59,300,280 and this year they were $57,075,186, a decrease of only $2,225,094. April exports last year totalled $51,426,738 and in 1939, $49,555,022, a drop of $1,871,716.

For the first four months this year, imports totalled $182,592,061, as compared with 1938's $221,385,953; this represents a drop in imports for the period January to April (inclusive) of $38,793,892. Exports over the same period this year totalled $170,081,924 and last year $186,782,133, a decrease of $16,700,209.

The April import figure of $57,075,186 consists of $8,454,199 worth of imports from various parts of the British Empire and $48,620,987 from "foreign countries." Of the latter figure, $18,948,421 came from China.

Exports in April this year, as already noted above, totalled $49,555,022, made up of $8,202,839 to various parts of the British Empire and $41,352,183 to "foreign countries." The latter figure includes $13,408,741 to China.

BOOST IN APRIL

For comparison with April's total, it may be noted that the value of imports and exports respectively during January, February and March totalled $40,680,959, (imports) and $40,164,153 (exports); $36,824,830 and $36,502,007; and $48,011,086 and $43,860,742.

The average import total for the first four months of the year is, therefore, $45,647,815.25, as compared with April's actual import figure total of $57,075,186, while April's total export figure of $49,555,022 compares equally favourably with the average export total for the January-April (inclusive) figure of $42,520,481.

TRADE MARK CASE TO BE DROPPED

Mr. O. E. C. Marton this morning requested Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon to adjourn a summons in which his client, Mr. Horst Heipmeyer, of Reuter Brockelmann and Co., was complainant against Wing On, of No. 636, Canton Road, for unlawful possession of tins of needles with cork and hand trade mark closely resembly the complainant's registered trade mark.

Mr. Marton said the issue had been settled and he wished to withdraw, but, as defendant had failed to appear, he asked for a 24-hour adjournment.

"SINGULARLY AMATEURISH" ROBBERY

Chui Hui-yeung, Chan Fong, and Wong-yau, were sentenced to 18 months' hard labour by Sir Atholl MacGregor this morning when they pleaded guilty to taking part in an armed robbery at a second hand dealer's store in Lockhart Road on April 23.

First defendant said he committed the offence owing to poverty. He was out of work. The others had nothing to say.

Mr. J. Whyatt, crown counsel, said that nobody was injured and all the property was recovered.

Remarking that the methods were singularly amateurish, Sir Atholl said that they all appeared to be natives of Nam Hoi.

"The sooner you get back the better for all concerned and arrangements will be made as soon as your term is over."

GOVERNMENT URGED TO PLACE EMBARGO ON SUPPLIES TO JAPAN

London, To-day.

In view of the Government's declared policy against aggression, will the Government instruct its representative on the League Council to advocate at Geneva prohibition of the export and sale to Japan of petroleum and minerals essential to carrying on the war in China?

This question was put in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. J. R. Leslie (Labour, Sedgfield).

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied that the appeal of the Chinese Government was on the agenda of the League Council at its forthcoming season.

"It will accordingly be discussed by the Council as a whole, and I cannot anticipate the course of those discussions."

Mr. Leslie: What instructions will be given to the British representative.

NON-COMMITTAL

Mr. Butler refused to commit the Government beyond saying: The Foreign Secretary will be attending.

Mr. Leslie: Is the Minister aware that huge quantities of nickel ore are being sent from Canada to Japan? Is it not time that some action should be taken?

Mr. Butler: No doubt consideration will be given to the point to which the speaker refers.—Reuter.

Montreux Not Modified

London, To-day.

THE Anglo-Turkish declaration made on May 12 does not modify the provisions of the Montreux Convention regarding Turkish guardianship of the Dardanelles, that agreement being one to which other countries besides the United Kingdom and Turkey are parties.

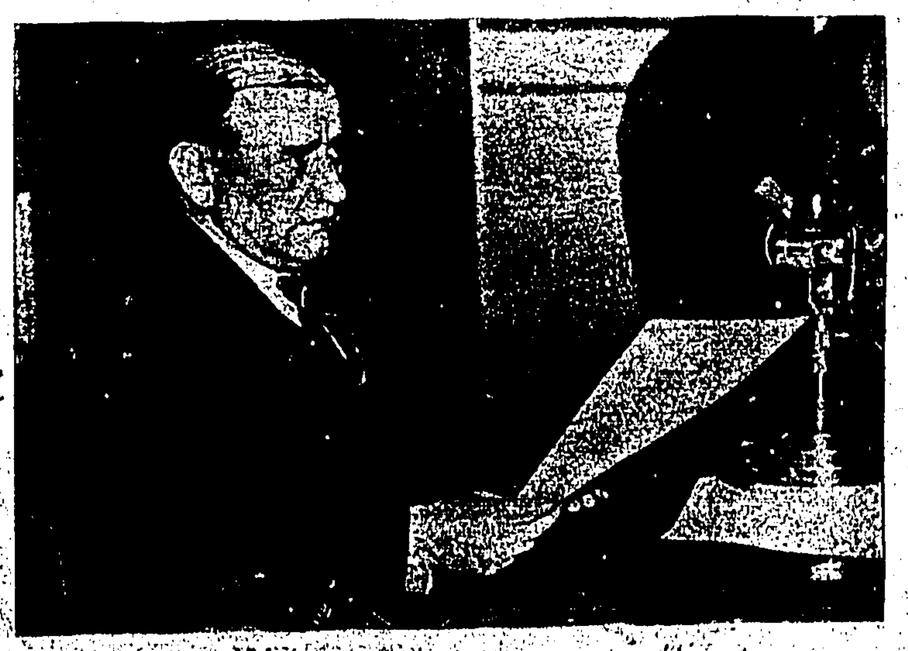
This statement was made by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, when questioned in the House of Commons yesterday.

The terms of the declaration, he added, do not preclude co-operation by both Governments with other Mediterranean powers in the event of an act of aggression leading to war in the Mediterranean area. — Reuter.

DEPRESSSION EXTEND

The Royal Observatory reports that the moderate anticyclone is moving eastward into the Pacific to the southeast of Japan. The depression over Tongking has deepened and is extending to S. China.

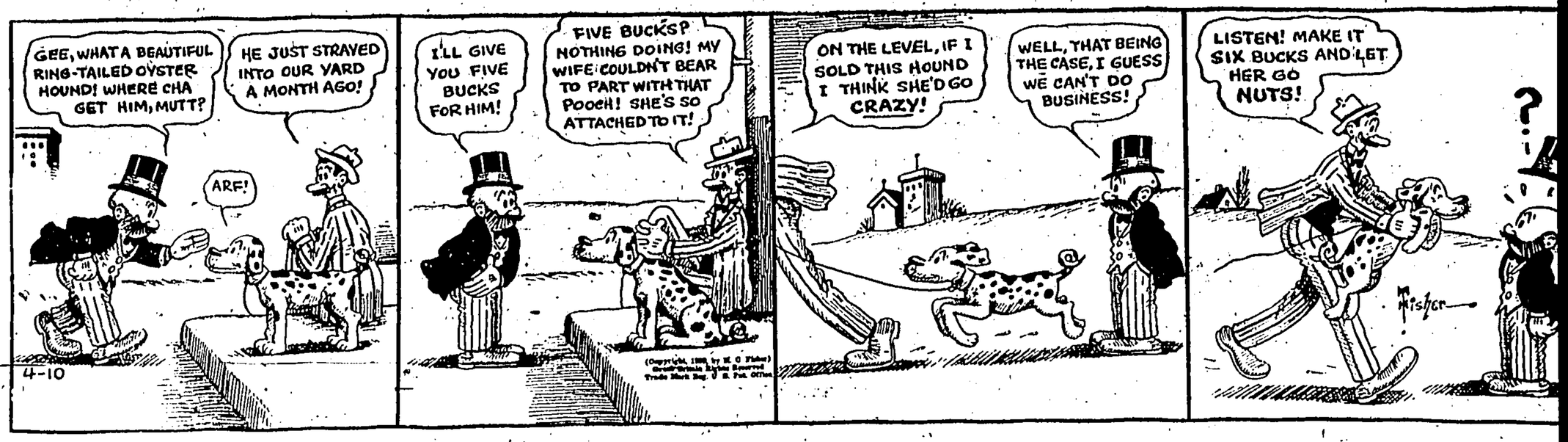
Local forecast:—S. to S. W. winds, moderate to fresh, squally; cloudy, occasional rain.



The French Premier, M. Daladier, at the mike during his recent speech in Paris.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

SOUCOOK MASSACRE

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

Charlie Poe lived by his wits. Not because he had to, but because he liked to. I could name a half dozen jobs he had been offered, all legitimate, all of which he turned down. He couldn't bear the thought of routine and being tied down. He often said that security would make him stale.

I met him unexpectedly one day last summer in Boston. I welcomed the prospect of a chat with him over a glass of beer. His exploits always made good copy.

"Not doing anything," he said when I questioned him.

"What's wrong?" I asked. "What's happened to that ingenious mind of yours?"

"Looking for something," he confessed.

"If you've nothing lined up," I suggested, "how about taking a ride up country with me? I'm making a two-day trip to Burlington."

"Like to," he said.

We started the next morning. Charlie wasn't the cheerful companion I anticipated. Obviously there was something on his mind. I queried him and at last he admitted he was turning over a plan in his mind. He was wondering how the law would feel about it. The law, he declared ruefully, was becoming annoyingly inconsiderate in its attitude toward Charlie's type of professional man.

"I got a swell idea that could be worked out West somewheres, but I hate to leave New England." Curiously, he had a fondness for home territory.

So that, I thought, was making him so gloomy.

Half way across New Hampshire we came to a place alongside the road where a dozen or more cars were parked. A sign proclaimed the reason. "Visit the site of the famous Soucook Indian Massacre," the sign read. "Nothing like it anywhere. Free lecture. Offers much by way of historical value. A scene you won't forget. Admission 25 cents."

"Stop!" said Charlie. I stopped. We got out and walked over to a shelter beneath which a man was selling tickets. Behind the man was a barbed wire gate. Behind the gate a path led through some thick woods.

The man with the tickets saw us and urged us to buy, eloquently elaborating on his printed sign. Charlie dug into his pocket and produced a half dollar. Presently about twenty people had purchased tickets and the man got down off his stool and led us through the gate. He closed and locked the gate.

We followed him along the path. He talked as we walked. He told vivid stories and painted vivid pictures. By the time we reached our objective we were all steamed up with apprehension.

We had entered a small clearing. Beyond it was a ledge, overhanging a shallow gorge through which a trickle of water flowed. We stood on the ledge while our guide told us how, 250 years ago, a detachment of militiamen had pursued a band of twenty Indians through the forest. Hard put, the Indians came to this ledge. Below them was the gorge, at that time a good many times deeper than now. Thus the redskins had their choice of leaping into the gorge or being shot. They pleaded with the militiamen, but the captain was a heartless wretch and shot them down without mercy."

It was a gruesome tale. We were all silent and impressed as we made our way back to the cars.

"That," said Charlie, "is the best gag I've ever seen. It's a beaut!"

"Maybe," I said, "but how can that guy prove any such thing happened there?"

"How can the tourists prove it didn't?" Charlie asked. "And what do they care? That chap knew what they wanted and he gave it to them. They were satisfied." He became thoughtful. "Tourists are swell. They start out with a certain amount of money in their pockets and they don't come home till it's all gone. If you're smart enough you can make 'em spend it on your racket."

Charlie didn't mention the Soucook massacre again during our trip, but I suspected it was on his mind. He was brighter and more companionable. When he left me in Boston two days later he shook hands warmly.

"Where are you off to now?" I asked him.

"Oh, the western plan of mine is still rankling." He grinned. "See you around."

But I didn't see him around again for four months. Then, late in September I had occasion to go north again. Travelling the same route that Charlie and I had taken, I remembered the Soucook Massacre. The shelter was still there and there were cars parked outside. But a different man was selling tickets. The man was Charlie.

I waited until he had guided his party back from the ledge.

"How about this?" I asked.

He grinned. "You gave me the idea'" he said. "Remember you wanted to know how the guy could prove the massacre happened here? Well, I asked him, at the same time flashing a tin badge I sometimes carry around. He decided to move on"

"Is that sort of thing ethical in your profession?" I asked.

"Sure. We're all suckers. Some of us are smarter. The guy was getting fed up anyhow. So am I. Some day soon somebody is going to ask me to prove that massacre story. If I'm smart enough I'll be gone before he gets here. But I like New England pretty well."

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TEN YEAR TRANSITION PLAN FOR PALESTINE

Scheme Pleases Neither Jews Nor Arabs

Bitter Jewish Accusation Of Breach Of Faith

London, To-day.

The White Paper outlining the British Government's intentions in Palestine was published last evening.

It envisages the establishment of an independent Palestine State within ten years in treaty relation with Britain, providing satisfactory commercial and strategic requirements to both countries.

Jews and Arabs will share in the Government in proportion to the population.

During the transitional period, Jews and Arabs will be given an increasing part in the Government.

Jewish immigration will be restricted to approximately one-third of the population, giving over the next five years a yearly quota of 10,000 immigrants, together with the admission of 25,000 refugees as a contribution to the refugee problem.

After five years Jewish immigration ceases unless the Arabs permit otherwise.

TO REMOVE UNCERTAINTY

Purpose of the Government's declaration of its Palestine policy is to remove uncertainty as to its intentions and objectives, as uncertainty is felt to be one of the major causes of the trouble in Palestine, Reuter's lobby correspondent understands.

The fact that the policy is definite, is expected to produce criticisms from both sides.

These will be faced, however, in the belief that the proposals represent a just solution which pays regard to the obligations of Jews and Arabs alike.

SHARED AUTHORITY

The Government specify as an alternative to the extreme Jewish and Arab claims an independent State in which Jews and Arabs will share the authority of government in a manner serving the interests of both.

No arbitrary decision is taken on the form of the new State, which can be federal or unitary. It will be shaped in consultation with the League.

The White Paper contains a reference to protecting the interests of foreign countries, which it is understood, refers especially to American Missions.

Under the arrangement for admission of 25,000 refugees, it is expected that 10,000 children will be involved.

LEAGUE APPROVAL

The whole scheme is subject to approval by the League, and the permanent Mandates Commission is expected to consider it in June, passing it to the League Council later.

The White Paper will be discussed by the House of Commons next Monday and Tuesday, when Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (the Colonies Secretary) will explain the Government reason for the decisions.

JEWISH AGENCY VIEW

The Jewish Agency communique on the White Paper declares that in effect the new policy denies the Jewish people the right to reconstitute their national home in their ancestral country.

The policy transfers authority to the Arab majority and puts the Jews at the mercy of that majority. It also establishes a territorial ghetto for the Jews in their own homeland.

"BREACH OF FAITH"

The Jewish people regard this "breach of faith" as a surrender to Arab terrorism and one which widens the breach between Jews and Arabs.

It is a policy to which the Jews will not acquiesce. The new regime will only be maintained by force.

In the darkest hour of Jewish history, Britain proposes to deprive the Jews of their last hope and close the road back to their homeland.

It is a cruel blow but it will not subdue the Jewish people.

ARABS DISPLEASED

Meanwhile, Arab circles in London express grave disappointment in the transitional period, being of opinion that the utmost limit should have been three years.

They stress that the delay in granting independence is not only against Arab interests but against the general national interests in that Palestine will be unable to proceed to the objective of Arab Federation.

Indian Muslim opinion is indicated by Moulana Hasrat Mohami of the All-India Muslim League, who also declares the transitional period is too long.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT'S PLAN FOR STEADY CHANGES

As soon as peace and order have been sufficiently restored in Palestine, steps will be taken to carry out the policy of giving the people of Palestine an increasing part in the government of their country, the objective being to place Palestinians in charge of all departments of the government with the assistance of British advisers and subject to the control of the High Commissioner.

With this object in view His Majesty's Government will be prepared immediately to arrange for Palestinians to be placed in charge of certain departments with British advisers. Palestinian heads of departments will sit on the Executive Council which advises the High Commissioner. Arab and Jewish representatives will be invited to serve as heads of departments approximately in proportion to their respective populations.

AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT

The number of Palestinians in charge of departments will be increased as circumstances permit until all heads of departments are Palestinians exercising the administrative and advisory functions which are at present performed by British officials. When that stage is reached consideration will be given to the question of converting the Executive Council into a Council of Ministers with a consequential change in the status and functions of Palestinian heads of departments.

His Majesty's Government make no proposals at this stage regarding establishment of an elective legislature. Nevertheless, they would regard this as an appropriate constitutional development and should public opinion in Palestine hereafter show itself in favour of such a development they be prepared, provided local conditions permit, to establish the necessary machinery.

AFTER FIVE YEARS

At the end of five years from the restoration of peace and order, an appropriate body representative of the people of Palestine and of His Majesty's Government will be set up to review the working of constitutional arrangements during the transitional period and consider and make recommendations regarding the constitution of the independent Palestine State.

After mentioning certain points regarding the security of the Holy Places, the protection of minorities and of the special position of the Jewish national home, and strategic questions on which His Majesty's Government would require to be satisfied that adequate provision was made in the contemplated treaty and constitution, the declaration goes on to make clear that His Majesty's Government will do everything in their power to create conditions which will enable on independent Palestine State to come into being within ten years.

CONSULTATION PROPOSAL

If at the end of ten years it appears to His Majesty's Government that contrary to their hope, circumstances require postponement of the establishment of the independent State, they will consult with representatives of the people of Palestine, the Council of the League of Nations and the neighbouring Arab states before deciding on such postponement. If His Majesty's Government come to the conclusion that postponement is unavoidable, they will invite the co-operation of these parties in framing plans for the future with a view to achieving the desired objective at the earliest possible date.

It is also mentioned that during the transitional period steps will be taken to increase the powers and responsibilities of municipal corporations and local councils.

The methods employed by Arab terrorists against their fellow Arabs and Jews alike must receive unqualified condemnation but it cannot be denied that the fear of indefinite Jewish immigration is widespread amongst the Arab population, and that this fear has made possible the disturbances which have given a serious setback to economic progress, depleted the Palestine exchequer, rendered life and property insecure and produced bitterness between Arab and Jewish populations which is deplorable between citizenship of the same country.

SOURCE OF FRICTION

If in these circumstances immigration is continued up to the economic absorptive capacity of the country, regardless of all other considerations, a fatal enmity between the two peoples will be perpetuated and the situation in Palestine may become a permanent source of friction amongst all peoples in the Near and Middle East.

The alternatives before His Majesty's Government are either to seek to expand the Jewish National Home indefinitely by immigration against the strongly expressed will of the Arab people of the country or to permit further expansion of the Jewish national home by immigration only if the Arabs are prepared to acquiesce in it.

The former policy means rule by force. Apart from other considerations such a policy seems to His Majesty's Government to be contrary to the whole spirit of Article 22 of the League Covenant, as well as to their specific obligations to the Arabs in Palestine must be based sooner or later on mutual tolerance and goodwill.

The peace, security and progress of the Jewish national home itself require this.—British Wireless.

GRAND MUFTI NOT ALLOWED TO RETURN

London, To-day.

The British Government has decided to refuse, for an indefinite period, to grant to the Grand Mufti permission to make his domicile in Palestine, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald told the House of Commons yesterday.

The Government, he added, held the Grand Mufti responsible for the acts of terrorism in Palestine as he was the leader of the party which for months had been engaged in killing, not only British subjects and Jews, but a large number of Arabs.

In reply to a further question, the Colonial Secretary said that the Government was contemplating a early release of the Jewish and Arab prisoners. — Trans-Ocean.

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JUST A SLIGHT INCONSISTENCY

A slight inconsistency would appear to be considered a virtue in Japan, if the present truculent Japanese attitude in connection with anti-Japanese comment in Chinese newspapers is a fair criterion.

Only a bare couple of months ago, when the obviously inspired anti-British and anti-foreign "drive" was being pressed in all Chinese-language newspapers in Nanking, Hankow, Hangchow and other areas nominally under Japanese control, the Japanese spokesman at a press conference in Broadway Mansions excused the former in the "light of the past history of the British in China."

He more or less admitted that the Japanese were fully aware of the anti-British feeling being fostered by this press, although he denied that there was any anti-foreign and, despite evidence to the contrary, specifically anti-American agitation. He was "unable" to clear up the part played by the Special Service section of the Japanese Army in the matter.

Asked if anything would be done to curb such agitation, the spokesman replied in the negative. "Providing" such agitation did not cause any riots or other disturbances of the peace, the Japanese authorities did not propose to interfere.

The thought now occurs to many that if this is "justification" for the utter filth in such reports—reports which from a pathological point of view might interest sex perverts or a Sigmund Freud but are hardly Sunday morning reading — on what logical grounds, in view of "recent Japanese history in China," do the Japanese now object to anti-Japanese comment in Chinese newspapers?

Force is added to such arguments by the appearance of "Shanghai: No. 2," which claims to be published by a Mr. Ching Cong-kan, of 76, Jessfield Road. Whether or not it is printed in Shanghai might be difficult to prove—but it is interesting to note that the Special Service section of the Japanese Army has its headquarters only a short distance away.

"Shanghai: No. 2" has reached a slightly higher level than "Shanghai: No. 1"; it has also plumbed new depths. Although Shanghai does not claim to be a Celestial City and admits the presence of unsavoury persons of all nationalities, it was somewhat shocked by the following diatribe in "Shanghai: No. 1":—

"Pigs that speak Chinese . . . such are the Chinese of Shanghai! Their 4,000 years of tradition they have exchanged for scraps that fall from the table of the foreigners.

"O Shanghai, Shanghai! Foreign rights aind interests cannot defend you from shells and bombs! O Maggots bred in putrid wounds! Your crimes and immorality lack even the subterfuge of beauty!"

As against this sorry picture, Mr. Ching drew a pretty picture of China coming "back from the dead under the guidance of the new Governments." He tactfully refrains from mentioning the dozens of gambling, opium and vice dens which have also sprung up in "New China."

In "Shanghai: No. 2," Mr. Ching goes a step further. In the words of the "North-China Daily News" it is "an extraordinary journal bordering between pornography and a form of insanity."

It is more specifically anti-Shanghai Municipal Council and anti-British but, as pointed out above, the Japanese see nothing incongruous between pressing for an immediate cessation of all anti-Japanese comment inside the Settlement while doing nothing to prevent — some uncharitable circles go so far as to suggest that everything is done to assist —the publication of a magazine of this nature in areas under Japanese control.

The illustrations in both issues alone would bring a ban on the magazine in any country of the world, save in magazines with circulations strictly limited to those who study the minds of the sexually-unbalanced.

But in this regard, the Japanese seem to be determined to appear in the form of a "blue-stocking" with his tongue in his cheek, a somewhat amusing if not very pleasant sight.

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The Chief's Cigars

How far should a private secretary venture to go in attempting to regulate the personal habits of his chief? Sir William Rees Davies, the former Chief Justice of Hong-Kong, whose death occurred recently, was confronted with this problem when he was private secretary to Sir William Harcourt, Harcourt's consumption of tobacco is described by his biographer as "Gargantuan." He smoked "vast quantities" of cigars, and the fame of the reek he left behind him was a subject of frequent comment by his correspondents. He was not a connoisseur and smoked anything that looked like a cigar, but he would not be fobbed off with a small one when a large one was available.

When he was preparing one of his Budgets Sir William Harcourt received a gift of very large and very costly cigars. His private secretary and his son, "Lulu," were horrified at the pace at which he was consuming them—lighting one and throwing it in the fire when the division bell summoned him into the House. So the two of them entered into a conspiracy to check this waste. They abstracted the box and substituted one containing a smaller and cheaper brand. That they were cheaper would not have aroused Sir William's suspicion, but that they were smaller revealed the deceit that was being practised upon him. Only the return of the large, fat cigars appeased his wrath and, in the words of his biographer, "enabled the wheels of Treasury life to revolve again."

JOINT DEFENSIVE LANDING AT AMOY

British, American And French Force in Kulangsu

BRITISH, AMERICAN AND FRENCH MARINES WERE LANDED AT KULANGSU, THE FOREIGN CONCESSION AT AMOY, YESTERDAY.

This is revealed in an official statement by the Admiralty in London, and quoted in a Reuter telegram received this morning.

Reuter says that parties of 42 Marines each were landed from British, American and French warships at Amoy.

Their total number — 126 — is said to be equal to the Japanese forces on the island.

Local naval circles disclaim any knowledge of the reported landing in Amoy or of the identity of the American and French warships which have arrived there.

In the absence of information to the contrary, they believe that Admiral Sir Percy Noble, the Commander-in-Chief, is still there in H.M.S. Birmingham, accompanied by H.M.S. Duncan and Defender, destroyers, while H.M.S. Scout is acting as guard ship.

JAPANESE WITHDRAWING

The majority of the Japanese bluejackets, meanwhile, withdrew from the island during the night (says Reuter from Kulangsu), and to-day there is only a handful of Japanese still on the island.

DENMARK TO ACCEPT HITLER OFFER

Copenhagen, To-day.

Denmark, it is learned, has accepted Hitler's offer of a non-aggression pact.

A Helsingfors message says it is reported that Finland has declined the Nazi offer on the ground that the Northern countries have agreed to observe strict neutrality.

It is stated that Sweden and Norway have replied in similar fashion.

All the replies are being published to-morrow (Friday). — Reuter.

GIBRALTAR ALARUMS

Gibraltar, To-day.

Eight Spanish staff officers, according to British press reports, visited the neutral zone between Spain and Gibraltar fortress for an inspection of the entrenchments made during the last days. — Trans-Ocean.

UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE

Miss H. Irving, residing at No. 2, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, had an unpleasant experience last night while walking home.

At about 8.30 p.m. a Chinese attacked her from behind, snatched her handbag and made good his escape.

The bag, with contents, was valued at $42.85.

NORTH HUPEH FIGHTING

FANCHENG, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE OFFENSIVE IN NORTH HUPEH PERSISTENTLY DESCRIBED BY JAPANESE PROPAGANDISTS AS THE "ENCIRCLEMENT" HAS SUFFERED SERIOUS REVERSES.

The Chinese have outmanoeuvred the invaders, inflicting thousands of casualties during battles in the last fortnight. Some of the hills are strewn with Japanese dead.

With the Japanese offensive slowed down, the Chinese are now taking the offensive. Units have crossed the Han River to counter-attack in the Chungsiang and Shayang sectors, while on the Hankow-Ichang highway the Chinese have recaptured Lohanssu, and Wamiaotsi and are pressing on Tsaoshih. Yokow, 70 miles above Hankow, has been recovered. — Central News.

American Note To Japan

Washington, To-day.

THE Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, said yesterday that he is preparing a Note to Japan on the International Settlement in Shanghai.

The Note will be a reply to the recent Japanese request for additional representation on the Shanghai Municipal Council.

There is no indication of the tenor of the Note, but informed quarters report that the United States is contacting Britain and France concerning it. — Reuter.

BRITISH LODGE PROTEST IN HANKOW

HANKOW, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL YESTERDAY FILED A PROTEST WITH THE JAPANESE CONSUL REGARDING THE CONTINUED USURPATION BY THE JAPANESE MILITARY AUTHORITIES OF WHARVES BELONGING TO BUTTERFIELD AND SWIRE.

The British protest stated that this practice was contrary to the agreement reached last February.

The Yunyang Maru, displaying the Red Cross flag, berthed alongside these wharves on Tuesday for the purpose of unloading troops. — Reuter.

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VAST CROWDS GIVE WELCOME TO KING AND QUEEN

Loyal Addresses Presented

Quebec, To-day.

As the King and Queen appeared on the promenade deck of the Empress of Australia, the crowds on shore cheered wildly.

The King was wearing Admiral's uniform, and the Queen was in grey with a halo hat.

The escorting warships stood across the river as the liner docked. A few minutes later Mr. Mackenzie King (the Canadian Premier) went on board and greeted Their Majesties, who landed at 7.35 p.m. (British Standard Time).

As they walked down the gangway there was a fanfare of trumpets, while the Citadel boomed a salute of 21 guns which the escorting warships echoed.

Many spectators used telescopes, while some stood riskily on the slippery surface of the cliffs.

After being greeted by various dignitaries, Their Majesties were escorted to a dais where members of the Dominion Cabinet and other notabilities and their wives, were presented to them.

VAST CROWDS

After the ceremony on the quayside Their Majesties drove in an open maroon car with the Royal Standard flying to the Legislative Building, while vast crowds cheered themselves hoarse.

Mr. Maurice Duplessis, Premier of Quebec Province, officially welcoming the King and Queen to the Legislative Building, expressed "sentiments of joy, respect, loyalty and affection of the entire province of Quebec, and particularly Canadians of French descent."

Mr. Duplessis recalled the visits of King George V in 1908, when Prince of Wales, and Queen Mary in 1901.

CRADLE OF NATION

He said: "We are overjoyed that the Royal visit has begun at Quebec, the cradle of the Canadian nation, where its destinies were decided and responsible government won.

"We shall never cease to consider the Throne as the bulwark of our democratic institutions and constitutional liberties."

Their Majesties then drove to the Citadel, residence of the Governor-General, following the cliff-side road over paths up which Wolfe's army clambered before the Battle of Quebec.

VIVE LE ROI

Senator Dandurand, Government leader in the Senate, speaking in French, said it was fitting that Their Majesties should be welcomed in the capital of new France, and that the respectful homage of the whole population be offered in the language of Champlain, who founded Quebec in 1608.

"In changing their allegiance to Britain's King, they were able to exclaim like the knights of old 'Le Roi est mort, vive le Roi,' so to-day without hesitation and with loyal hearts they all cried 'Vive le Roi.'"

SPIRIT OF QUEBEC

Replying in French, the King said he should like to pay tribute to the ancient and beautiful city of the province of Quebec in the same language as those who first brought civilisation to the banks of the St. Lawrence.

"It is here that to-day two great races live happily side by side. The spirit of Quebec is a happy fusion of the vigorous spirit of enterprise and ancient traditions proudly preserved.

"The harmonious accord of all the different elements which constitute Canada was the ideal concertion of the fathers of your Confederation.

"It remained for ever present in the mind and before the eye of those who followed. I therefore could not desire for you who hear me better fortune than the increasingly fruitful accomplishment of that noble vision."

KING'S REPLY

The King handed to Mr. Duplessis the reply to his address of welcome, in which His Majesty expressed heartful appreciation of the warm welcome tendered the Queen and himself.

He added: "Canadians of French descent are justly proud of their ancestry and deeply attached to their customs and language.

"They have, in association with their compatriots of other lineage, evolved a common citizenship united in love for Canada, loyalty to the Crown and devotion to the ideals of democracy and freedom which are dear to all who dwell under the British flag."—Reuter.

QUEBEC CHEERS ITSELF HOARSE

Quebec, To-day.

From early morning till late at night thousands upon thousands of Canadians cheered themselves hoarse in an enthusiastic welcome to Their Majesties.

In the afternoon 30,000 schoolchildren, singing "God Save the King" and "O Canada," greeted the King and Queen on the Plains of Abraham.

Later Their Majesties issued a statement that they "are deeply touched by the messages of welcome and goodwill reaching them on their arrival from all parts of the Dominion and the United States.

"The volume of these messages is so great that it is not possible for Their Majesties to answer them individually. They wish, however, to express to the senders their sincerest thanks for their good wishes."—Reuter.

GERMAN FLEET BACK HOME

Berlin, To-day.

An official announcement says that the German warships which have been cruising in the Mediterranean and Atlantic, when they visited Spanish and Portuguese ports, returned to their home ports on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning.—Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET DEATH SENTENCES OF TWO WOMEN

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

THE PASSING OF SENTENCE OF DEATH ON TWO WOMEN FOR ESPIONAGE AT KIEV, IS REPORTED IN THE MILITARY JOURNAL.

The women, says the paper, had been active in a small town on the western Soviet frontier on behalf of a foreign power.

They were reported to have obtained important information from the frontier guard.

The spies, who are mother and daughter, were sentenced to death. — Trans-Ocean.

STATE LUNCHEON AT THE CITADEL

Quebec, To-day.

"We are proud to feel that we have among us the living presence of the head of the whole Empire," declared the Canadian Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, speaking at the luncheon to Their Majesties at the Citadel.

He said it was the first occasion since the Confederation, apart from the meetings of the first Cabinet, on which all members of the Canadian Privy Council were brought together, and the first time in the history of Canada that Privy Councillors had assembled in the presence of the King.

"To-day, as never before, the Throne has become the centre of the national life.

"Here you will be in the heart of a family which is your own. We would have Your Majesties feel that coming from an old land to the new, you have left one home for another."

KING'S REPLY

The King, in reply, said: "I am deeply moved by your words of welcome to the Queen and myself on behalf of the Canadian people.

"I recognise that this moment is historic. It is the first time a British King has crossed the Atlantic. I stand to-day on the soil of North America. Here in the past two centuries, through loss and through gain, the British Commonwealth has been largely moulded to its present form."—Reuter.

SEAGULL JOINS THE ROOKS.—Leonard Rook and Joey Seagull of Margate are inseparable chums. Leonard found Joey on the seashore, unable to fly because of oil on his feathers. He took the bird home, removed the oil and fed him. Now he is one of the family at the Rook home and refuses to accept his freedom. Photo shows Mr. Rook taking "Joey" through the street of Margate down to the sea where the latter enjoys his daily swim and bath.

News Snack Bar

"SNOB" CLUBS TO ADOPT SLUMS

The "adoption" of slum constituencies by "snob" clubs of West End Conservatives is believed to be among the proposals for gingering-up Tory campaigning.

The report of Sir Kingsley Wood's Committee dealing with the reorganisation of the Conservative Party has not yet been published, but some of its proposals have been circulated.

Among the points made are believed to be the following:—

Closer contact between Conservative clubs and active party organisations;

Better co-operation between the official organisations and outside political agencies such as the Primrose League, etc.;

Further increase in propaganda;

All candidates for parliamentary, L.C.C. and borough council elections should fight under the designation of "National Conservative."

There should be one party colour —blue.

GAOL FIGHT FOR BEAUTY

Because they were forbidden to smoke or use cosmetics, 300 women prisoners of Guadalajara Gaol, Mexico, created a riot in which ten prisoners and five warders were injured, then went on hunger strike.

Finally the governor relented. The women were given the right to smoke and paint and powder.

LINER EQUALS RECORD ON TWENTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY

Aquitania, veteran of the Cunard-White Star fleet, celebrated her twenty-fifth birthday by coming within seven minutes of beating her record for an eastbound Atlantic crossing. When she reached Southampton from New York—exactly a quarter of a century after she was launched at Clyde Bank—it was revealed that she had made the crossing between Ambrose Lightship and Cherbourg breakwater in five days, eight hours, forty-five minutes, at an average speed of 24.85 knots—faster than a modern dread-nought.

Aquitania never held the Blue Riband of the Atlantic; the older, more famous Mauretania always stood between her and that honour.

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ARCTIC SHIP'S VISIT

The Hudson Bay Company's ice-breaker supply ship, Nascopie, which makes annual voyages to a longely hospital in Baffin Land, is at Falmouth for refitting.

FOOD GIFT FROM BRITAIN

The liner Calderon has sailed from London with 550 tons of rice, beans, fish and tinned milk sent by the British Government to relieve the people of Madrid.

Twenty-five motor lorries, to be used to distribute the food, were also sent. The food and the lorries were all gifts of the Government. British drivers, who accompanied the convoy of lorries, will carry out he distribution.

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PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police courts:—

Woman at Wood Green: After the incident I went straight to the police station to get my story in first.

Woman at Ealing: I was in such bad health that the most I could do was to write my name on my husband's cheques.

Man at East Ham: I must say that the policeman who arrested me had very good manners. When we got to the police station he insisted on standing to one side and letting me go in first.

The annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, took place at Causeway Bay on Monday. Here His Excellency is seen presenting one of the trophies.

THIEVES' FEAST IN SHOP

After thieves had broken into a wine shop in Fulham Palace-road, S.W., the manager's desk was found spread with bottles of whisky and port, sponge-cake, and tins of fruit.

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ULSTER LAW OFFICER

Mr. Arthur Black, K.C., M.P., has been appointed Attorney-General for Northern Ireland, in succession to Mr. E. S. Murphy, appointed Lord Justice of Appeal.

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180-TON LOAD IN STREETS

A condenser weighing 180 tons was loaded on to four lorries and trailers at London's Surrey Dock to be moved overnight to Battersea Power Station. The condenser contains fifty miles of tubes, and the inlet pipe is large enough to take a double-decker bus. It came from Hartlepool.

BOY DROWNED IN THAMES

While a boy named Dick Taylor, of Windsor-road Chertsey, was sailing his toy boat on the Thames near Chertsey Bridge he slipped into the river and was drowned.

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LORD MAYOR 12 TIMES

Sir Crawford McCullagh, who was re-elected Lord Mayor of Belfast, has now been Lord Mayor for eight successive years, and the new term is his twelfth in all.

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TRAIN PASSENGERS WALK

Owing to a signalling breakdown, passengers for Whitechapel on the Metropolitan Railway had to walk from Aldgate Station to Mark-lane, certain trains being turned back at Aldgate.

Group picture taken at the Rifle Association "Bisley" meeting. H.E. the Governor is seated in centre, with the G.O.C. on his left and P.O. Swan, who won the Governor's Cup, on his right.

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HITLER IS RENEWIN MIGHTY DUEL

There is little difference between Russian communism and German Nazism. Both countries are military tyrannies which may yet join forces to carve up Poland.

THE indications are that Germany's next forward step will be concerned with the Ukraine and perhaps with the small Baltic states, Lithuania, Latvia and Esthonia.

Such a policy is a direct challenge to the whole Slav race. It is the renewal of an ancient and mighty duel. The issue of that duel seems likely to depend on what Russia can and will do, and for the moment the policy of Russia appears to depend on the will of one man — Stalin, by birth a peasant of the small subject country of Georgia in the Caucasus, but who has now attained in Russia a position so much like that of the old Czars —a personality little seen by the public, closely guarded, unapproachable, whose picture is everywhere, who is referred to in the press in terms of unrestrained adulation, and who is believed to yield autocratic power almost wholly from behind the scenes.

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The very few foreigners who have met Stalin in Russia since his rise to power, speak of him as having kindly blue eyes with a suggestion of a smile in them, but also with more than a suggestion of steely determination, while his manner is quiet and restrained, and his conversation that of a well-informed, intelligent man. The impression conveyed is that of a character quite different from that of Hitler. There does not seem to be about Stalin anything of the neurotic, emotional, ranting fanatic such as Hitler is. Stalin suggests a coldly determined, practical man, who has moved steadily forward to a position of great power and who is resolved to keep it at all costs, but who at the same time cares little for the outward trappings or adornments of power.

What his real character and policy are seems to be a mystery. There have been indications in recent years that he really cares very little about the economic theories bequeathed by Lenin. The constitution which he approved for Russia in 1936 certainly contains definite provisions for the restoration of private property in Russia to a certain extent. At the time of its introduction it almost seemed as if Russia was on the way back to something like a normal country, governed by a small oligarchy, but without the rigid, unpractical communist theories which were Lenin's way of revenging the execution of his brother by the Czar's police in pre-war days.

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Then in August, 1936, came a sudden change, heralded by the execution in Moscow of Zinovieff and his fellow-prisoners. Since then Russia has fallen back again into a condition of terror and bloodshed, though this time it has been amongst the communist leaders as well as other classes that the slaughter has taken place. Leading officers of the army, practically every admiral of the navy, many high officers of the air force and an unknown but large number of administrative officials, members of the ruling communist party, have been put to death on charges of treason against Russia or plots against Stalin himself.

There is wide uncertainty as to the true explanation of all these executions — judicial murders they may better be called, for the actual trials were obviously farcical. There are some, amongst them Professor Seton-Watson, a recognised authority, who consider that some at least of the charges of treason were true, and that there really have been plots against Stalin and his government.

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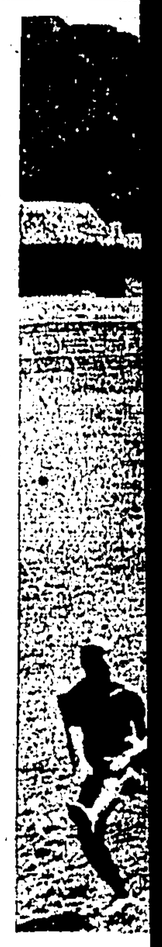
Others, however, believe that truth and falsity have been hopelessly confused in these Russian



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PROBLEMATICS No.28 By Tan Shaw

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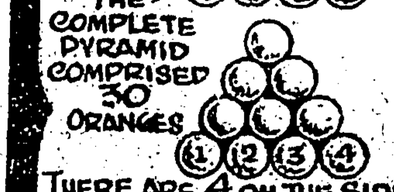

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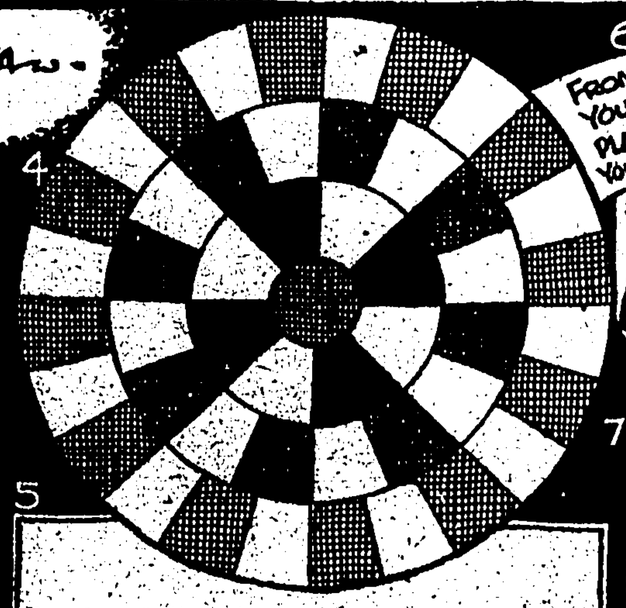

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FRICA PREPARES.—It was announced recently that South Africa is taking precautions present situation in Europe and that all South African police reservists have been called up. Special Service Battalion (Infantry) which was created in 1933 for the purpose of assist- youths. Photo shows South Africa's youth, stripped to the waist, enjoying physical jerks square set amid beautiful scenery.

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Stalin do to coming chal- the ancient ri- the Slav race, ip of Hitler? to come to a ding with the Slav countries, together they anger that is ? It will be reluctance and suspicion that Poland will enter on such an understanding with Russia. Yet if they do not stand together now, both may be destroyed. If they do stand together, there may come a titanic struggle, of which the outcome is quite incalculable.

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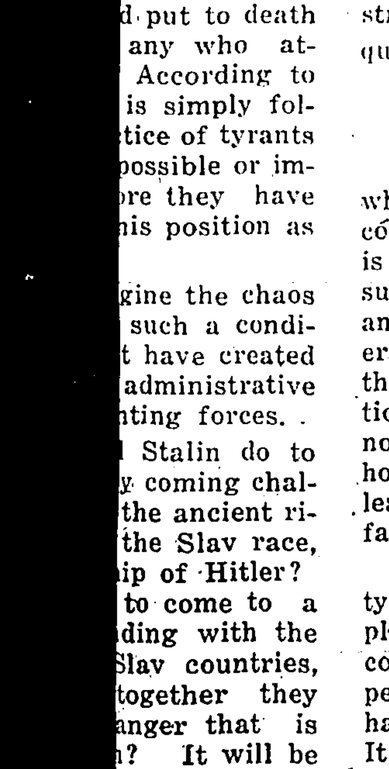
There is another possibility which is the nightmare of other countries than Poland only. That is that Stalin and Hitler may suddenly drop their present feud and may agree to repeat the former partition of Poland. After all, the government and the conditions in Germany and Russia are now not at all unlike each other, however much Hitler and his colleagues would furiously deny the fact if it were asserted to them.

Put simply, both are military tyrannies in which liberty simply does not exist. There is a conundrum circulating in whispers in Germany at present which has quite a significance behind it. It is: "What is the difference between Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany?" The answer is: "It is colder in Russia." If that is true, the two tyrants may decide that it would be a mistake to destroy one another and much better to destroy someone else—Poland, for instance—and share the plunder.

If such a German-Russian understanding comes into existence, there will then be in Europe a most sinister alliance of Germany under the ex-painter of Austria, Russia under the former peasant of Georgia, and Italy under the former socialist newspaperman—all of them tyrannies utterly indifferent to anything but their own aggrandisement by force, while at the other end of Asia is another ally, Japan, whose victory in China would at once create a position of the utmost danger for the whole white race in the Pacific and Australasian regions.

Thus there are great issues for the whole world dependent on the unknown character and policy of Stalin and what he will do in the possibly very near future.



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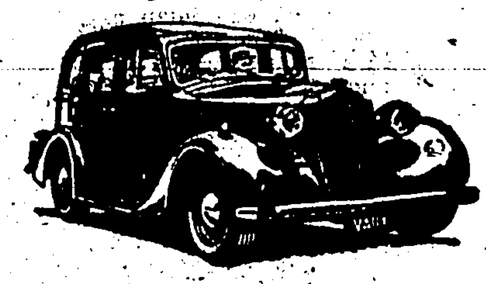

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

Insincerity may be this day's besetting sin. Most of the day's troubles will be traceable to hypocrisy and falsehood, so it will pay to be frank and above board in all you say or do. The mothering instinct is apt to be very noticeable, with the result that women will lavish much affection upon men. There may be many cases of the transferring of thoughts and emotions through the medium of mental telepathy. Quick thinking and acting may be necessary to overcome difficulties. An event may have a favourable effect on people born on this date who are inclined to be nervous or depressed. There are likely to develop many new constructive ideas that the average person may be able to put to profitable use. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose thoughts are absorbed in plans for an early betrothal, must not look for faults this day, but try to find some virtue in whatever their beloved one does in an endeavour to be affectionate or entertaining.

If a woman and May 18 is your birthday, you probably do not believe in mincing words, which at times is likely to be a fault, rather than a virtue. It might be well for you to keep in mind that a sugar-coated pill is much easier to swallow than one that leaves a bad taste. Fault finding is a habit that those who are born on this date can easily form, and is frequently responsible for most of their unhappiness. You are not apt to have any trouble that money cannot cure, and in time you ought to have sufficient means to be a thoroughly satisfactory panacea. Through writing, painting, teaching, acting, singing or selling, your most ambitious dream might become a reality. Marriage should bring you many blessings and no regrets.

The child born on May 18, is likely to be exceptionally susceptible to criticism, so should be subjected to as little of it as possible. Mentally well balanced, this youngster is not apt to have any difficulty in making its way and winning friends.

Witty Kitty

The mentally sketchy girl-friend thinks when her beau says he's been just one jump ahead of the Sheriff for sometime, he means he's broken the law in one way or another.

This pretty racegoer had enough Golden key rings on her hat to attach all her keys if necessary. They formed an attractive contrast to the dark brown brim of the hat.

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This is an ideal style for your important basic dress—a perfect backround for various types of jewellery, and by wearing different flowers at the plain v-neckline you can alter its personality from time to time. Flat crepe; silk print and georgette are nice materials for this dress.

TWEED LINGERIE

Tweeds are no longer confined to country wear and travel. Hand as well as machine looms are now producing tweed of a chiffon-like texture to be fashioned into lingerie. The blends of colouring include palest cowslip green, pollen yellow and willow silver.

A wedding gown of Harris tweed surprised women at a recent dress show. Palest rose-pink tweed was chosen; satin-laced panels gave the gown a sheath-like fitting and silk organdie frills peeped from below the petal-shaped hemline.

Tar Stains

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

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You know the type of woman I refer to when I say "she is a mousey women!" Usually a sweet, timid being who is very meticulous about personal and home cleanliness, but lacks even a speck of "dash" when you see her in her best Sunday-go-meeting clothes. You may feel as I do, that you would like to take her in hand and introduce her to her own beauty possibilities!

I'd like to take such a woman first to a good cosmetic counter. There I would purchase for her luxurious bath products! Exquisitely scented, quickly lathering bath soap. An immense box or jar of bath salts, oil or other water softener. The most handsome box of body powder available and a big bottle of the nicest smelling cologne the store carried. If she hadn't lovely bath towels and brushes I would suggest she get those too. Then I would send her home for a bath which should take her at least one-half hour—providing she would relax in the tub as I would want her to do.

AFTER THE BATH

If that little mousey lady could resist beautifying herself after such a bath I miss my guess! For what woman, who has been delightfully bathed, relaxed and annointed, wants to get out of the tub into a dowdy looking house dress and screw her hair up on her head in any old fashion?

Woman's natural instinct is to make herself more attractive than she is — or in other words, to dramatise her individual beauty.

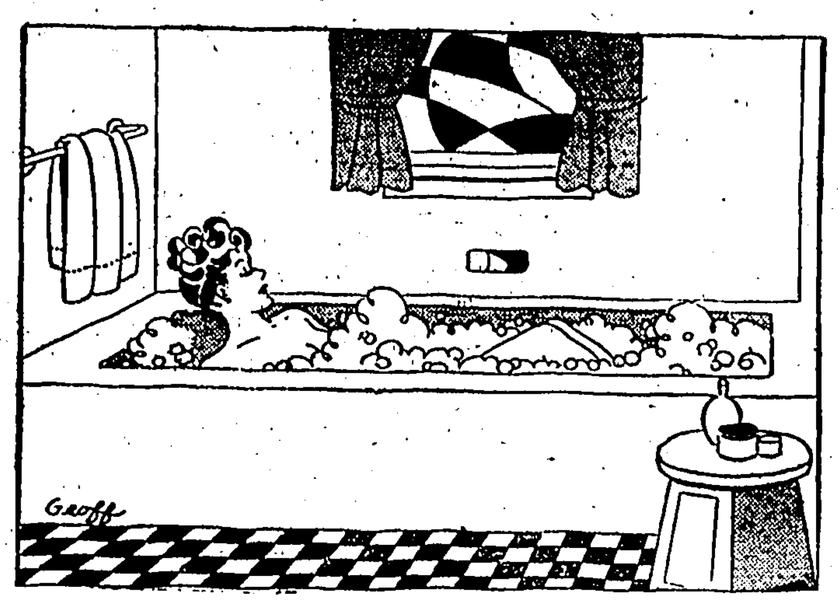
After a lovely bath our little friend should sit before a mirror (not stand) and give herself a facial with well-selected products for her type of skin, and its colouring, and what wonders she could do with a flattering lipstic shade and face powder! Perhaps if she is not young, she needs a bit of rouge nicely blended to bring greater depth to the colouring of her eyes.

Now her prettied face needs a becoming halo. Her hair should be brushed and pampered so that it may shine with natural beauty whether it is turning colour or not! And the style of dressing it is so important. She may change that mousey personality at once into one far more attractive, by combing her hair in a becoming fashion!

Her boudoir should be beautifully feminine, boasting of those things which are conducive to rest —soft lighting, a good bed, ample drawer and closet space. The decorations should express the personality of the beauty she would like to be, rather than the woman she is! Such surroundings inspire smartness.

And with Spring poking it's head out of the ground, every mousey woman needs a new bonnet and a new outfit to meet it! So when she finishes her luxurious grooming with luxury cosmetics, she may slip into new duds and show a new and interesting self to an appreciative world! What joy will be hers through freshly gained poise and what a pleasing impression she will make on all who meet her!

Buying beauty aids is the first step, so if you are even the least bit mousey, put on your old hat and go shopping!



A luxurious bath with fragrant aids has revived woman's tired body and spirts for centures! It also adds to her beauty!

Timely Tips For Homemakers

For cleaning silver fill a large china pie-dish with water containing three or four spoonfuls each of salt and bicarbonate of soda. Keep this always handy, so that it can be used whenever required. Place as large a piece of zinc as possible in the bottom of the dish, then immerse the silver articles. After two or three minutes they will be quite bright and need nothing more than rinsing and wiping. When not in use, remove the zinc from the dish.

If orange boxes are set on end and covered with wall-paper, or other disguising medium, they make excellent book shelves.

Fresh fruit dipped in boiled sugar and allowed to dry makes a pretty garnish for sweet dishes.

If ink is dropped on to a tablecloth, a light dress, or a carpet of a delicate shade, take a juicy tomato, and rub the part affected. Leave the wet pulp on the stain for a day, then light scrape off the fleshy matter, and wash with a clean rag and warm water. If the fabric can be tretched over a frame during the process, so much the better. Remember that it is the juice of the tomato and not the flesh and seeds which has the cleansing property; therefore, select a fully ripe tomato.

Attractive garden chairs can be made out of old barrels sawn half through the middle, and correspondingly from top to middle, thus leaving the lower end intact. A circular seat is then nailed in place, and the barrel attractively painted in some bright colour. A charming chair for a bedroom or a nursery may be made in the same way by padding and covering with an attractive cretonne or other suitable material.

When lining beefsteak pudding basin, cut a piece of pastry from the bottom as large as a 2/- piece, place meat in, and the meat will take 1 hour less to cook.

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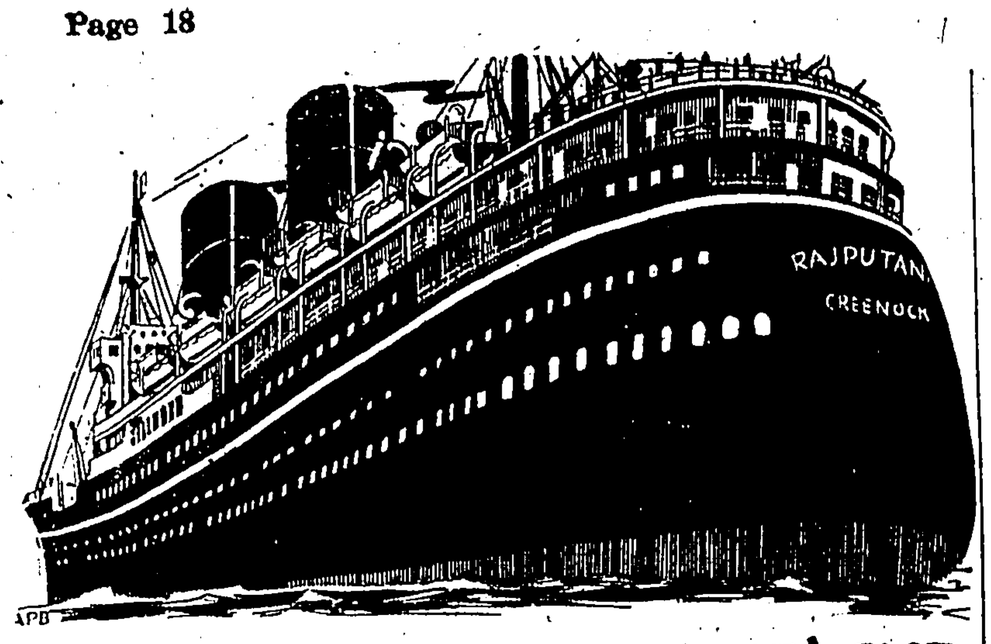

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§RAWALPINDI	17,000	8th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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Shanghai	Giulio Cesare	May 20.
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Shanghai and Amoy	Tjisadane	May 21.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Jean Dupuis	May 21.
Straits	Sarpedon	May 21.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 22.
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Saigon	Laos	May 22.
Straits	Katori Maru	May 22.
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala	May 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco date, 27th April)	Kamakura Maru	May 23.
Saigon	Aramis	May 24.
Manila	Nosiro Maru	May 24.
Straits	Ruys	May 24.
Bangkok	Kweiyang	May 24.
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Fort Bayard	New Mathilde	May 18, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Chuanchow and Foochow	Haitan	May 18, 3 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia Thur.,	May 18, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 1 June.	Terukuni Maru	Thurs., May 18, G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg., May 18, 3.30 p.m. Ord., May 18, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 14th June.	Terukuni Maru	Thurs., May 18, G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg., May 18, 3.45 p.m. Ord., May 18, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. Central and South America via San Francisco, and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco, 8th June—and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.	Pres. Pierce	Thursday, May 18. K.P.O. Parcels, Thur., May 18, 4.00 p.m. Regis., Thur., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Thur., May 18, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Parcels, Thur., May 18, 4.00 p.m. Regis., Thur., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Thur., May 18, 7.00 p.m.
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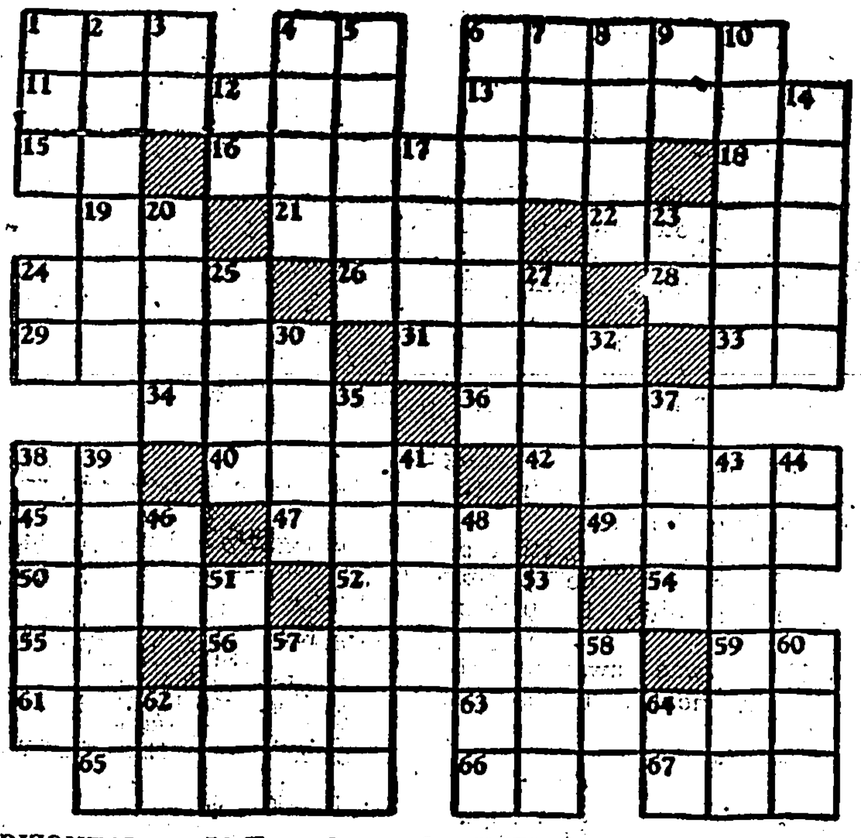

HORIZONTAL

1 Regret.
4 Pronoun
6 Stupid person
11 Ingrained
13 Hardened
15 By
16 Locates permanently
18 Egyptian sun god
19 Whether
21 To vex
22 Row
24 Encounter
26 Want
28 Falsify
29 Pattern
31 To beat
33 Delivered (abbr.)
34 Petitioned
36 Line of juncture
38 Baseball position (abbr.)
40 Seethe
42 To pledge
45 Mindanao Indonesian
47 Kind of nail
49 Wound
50 Allowance for waste
52 Periods of time.
54 Toward
55 Each (abbr.)
56 Pertaining to the phylum
59 Parent
61 Gazed intently
63 Slipped away
65 Aids
66 Therefore
67 Worm

VERTICAL

1 Inlet
2 Unfastened
3 Type measure
4 Roman highway
5 Branch of Sioux Indians
6 Moths
7 Number
8 To become oxidized
9 Colour gold (her.)
10 A sea nymph
12 While
14 Challenged
17 Knotted
20 Gratuities
23 Illustrated (abbr.)
24 Note of scale
35 Tight
27 Piece for two
30 Dregs
32 Prohibits
35 Hangs down
37 Debate
38 Satisfies
39 Layer
41 Female horse
43 Figures of speech
44 Pronoun
46 Unfit boat (Lloyd's)
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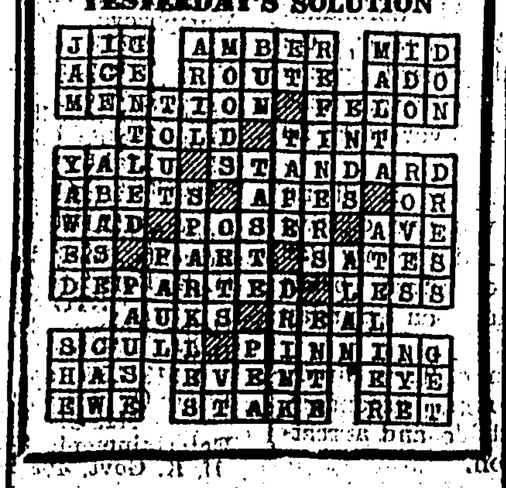

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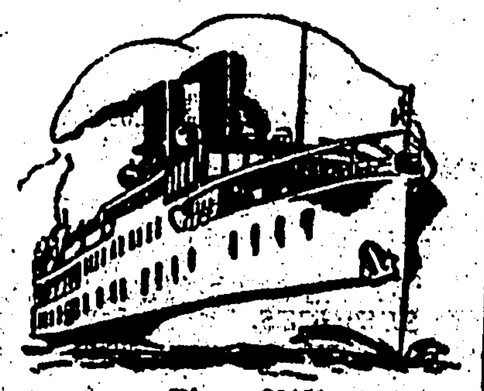

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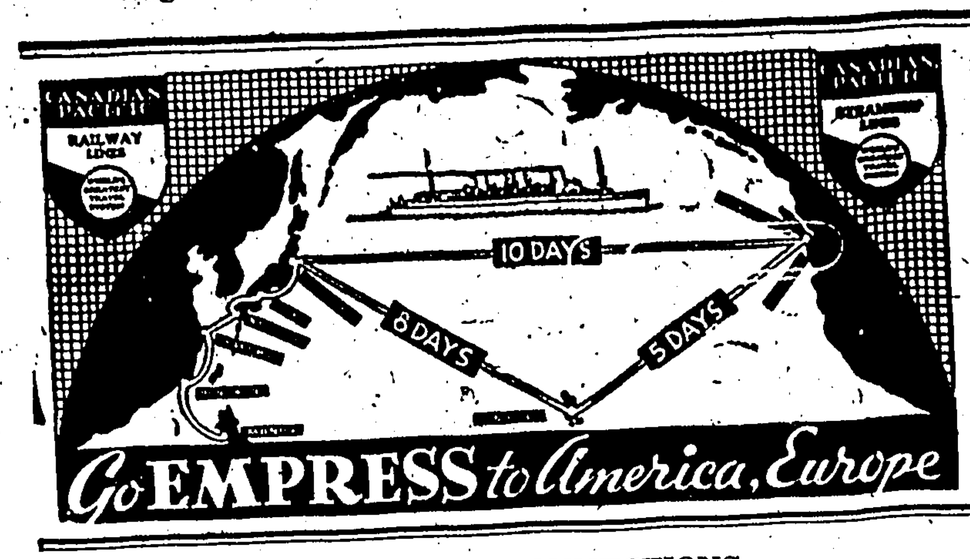

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TWO YEARS FOR AMERICAN-BORN CHINESE

An American-born Chinese, Chan Ho-yu 21, who pleaded guilty at the Sessions yesterday to armed robbery on April 23 was this morning sentenced to two years' hard labour and 12 strokes by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor.

The case was adjourned yesterday to give Chan an opportunity of telling the court how he came to be mixed up in the affair and where the property, valued at $347, could be found.

This morning, Chan told the court that the property was with a Chinese named Chung. He did not know where the other members of the gang were. He had come to know Chui-hing, working in the Royal Engineers, with whom he stayed after he had lost his job because he was told to do coolie work. He had saved $30 but that he spent when he was out of work. He had written to the country where his people had a shop for money but no reply had been received. Since then the Japanese had arrived in his native district, Tung Koon, and he believed the shop was gone. As he was without means, his friends were willing to accommodate him lodging but would not feed him. He was thus forced to follow the others and commit this offence. He asked to be treated leniently.

It was stated that though defendant was born in the United States, he had been in China since a child.

SUSPICIOUS BUT LET OFF

"You can go this time, but I warn you that you had no right there," said Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning, freeing Lau Yun-tak, 20, car cleaner, who strongly denied theft of a motor car pump, the property of Mr. G. S. Wilson, A.S.P., in Argyle Street yesterday.

Accused was seen standing against the garage wall in the garden, holding the pump.

Accused said he was sitting on the ground, holding the pump's air-tube in his hand, for playing with it.

He said he was awaiting the master of the house, to ask him for a job.

THIEF CAUGHT ASLEEP

Chin Sin-yan was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, for the theft of three brass taps from Aw Par Mansion, Taihang; two electric fans from Ho Tung Building; and clothing, valued at $17, from the Central Theatre.

Sergeant McKay said defendant was formerly a lift operator. On April 10, he was dismissed by the Central Theatre. He stole the clothing from his employer when he left.

Defendant went to the Ho Tung Building, and removed two electric fans from the lift. At the Aw Par Mansion, he removed three brass taps from the garden on Sunday night.

An Indian watchman, Tara Singh, of the Mansion, found defendant sleeping on the roadside and arrested him, on suspicion.

THEFT OF HATS FROM A GODOWN

At the request of Det.-Sgt. Matches, four employees of the Kowloon Godowns were remanded by Mr. E. Himsworth this morning when charged with larceny of 110 felt hats from No. 48 godown or receiving.

Accused were Lau Yuen-hing, 28, sorting coolie, and Leung Fai, 17, godown boy, charged with larceny; Lo Wai, 19, and Yip Kwang, 45, coolies, charged with receiving.

It was alleged that first defendant was seen by a watchman coming out of No. 48 godown with felt hats. It was then revealed that altogether 110 felt hats had been stolen from nine bales stored in the godown.

LEFT THE GOODS BEHIND

Dropping two baskets which they were carrying at the sight of an Indian constable, two Chinese women on Monday ran away. The constable was unable to catch them but found the baskets to contain 16 gallons of Chinese wine.

This morning before Mr. R. Edwards, an application for the confiscation of the wine was made by Sub-Inspector Collins and granted.

INTERPRETER TRIAL DATE FIXED

The case in which a police interpreter, Un Shui-ki, 23, of Hunghom Police Station, was charged with extorting $110 and with demanding $110 with menaces from Lau Hei-yuk at the Hip On Club, Gillies Avenue, on April 23, was fixed for hearing by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning.

It is understood that Mr. J. B. Prentis will conduct the prosecution and Mr. C. D'Almada the defence.

Sub-Inspector C. Mottram is in charge of the case.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS
Hong Kong Bank $1355 b., $1355 sa.
INSURANCES
Canton Ins. $230 b.
Union Ins. $430 b., $437½/35 sa.
H. K. Fire Ins. $180 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
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Antamoks Ps. .28 sa.
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Coco Grove Ps. .35 sa.
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I. X. L. Ps. .52 sa.
Itogons Ps. .22½ sa.
North Camarines Ps. .40 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. 1.04 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .15 sa.
United Paracales Ps. .55 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
H. K. and S. Hotels $5.85 s.
H. K. Lands $34½ sa.
Humphreys $7.80 b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H. K. Tramways $16.40 b., $16.60 s., $16½ sa.
Star Ferries $65 b.
China Lights (Old) $8.40 b., $8½ sa.
China Lights (New) $5.30 b.
Sandakan Lights $11.90 b.
INDUSTRIALS
Canton Ices $1 b.
Cements $12¾ b.
H. K. Ropes $8.65 b.
STORES, &C.
Dairy Farms, Ex. Rts. $21½ b.
Dairy Farms, Rights $15½ b., $15½/15¾ sa.
Wing On (H.K.) $41 b.
MISCELLANEOUS
Entertainments $6½ b.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 3¾%prem. b.

S.P.C. TO TACKLE NEW PROBLEM

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, the Chairman (His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor) announced that Mr. K. C. Tsang had donated, in memory of his mother, Mrs. Tsang Ki Fook, the sum of $1,500. The money had been suitably invested and the income therefrom would be used for educational purposes. The Committee's deep gratitude for Mr. Tsang's generosity was expressed.

It was announced that the amount raised by the Women's Auxiliary at the recent Ball, when outstanding monies were received, would total $2,800.

The Committee gratefully acknowledged the grant, for the year 1939, of $250 from the Ministering Children's League.

The Case Report for the month of April showed a total of 174 new cases, 3,952 persons visited the Society's offices during the month and the average income per head of cases on relief was $1.56. Mrs. W. Park, Hon. Secretary for the Creche reported that attendance had shown a gratifying increase and now averaged about 40 daily.

The Committee learnt with regret of the resignation owing to their impending departure on leave of Mrs. N. L. Smith and Mrs. A. N. Overell, Chairman and Hon. Secretary, respectively, of the Women's Auxiliary. The Chairman expressed the Committee's deep appreciation of the work done for the Society by both ladies and wished them a very pleasant holiday.

The Chairman extended a hearty welcome to Mrs. J. T. Smalley and Mrs. T. J. Gould, the new Chairman and Hon. Secretary of the Women's Auxiliary.

It was decided to appoint a subcommittee to consider ways and means of increasing the Society's work for children between the ages of 5 and 9, for whom little was done at the present time.

NAVAL BILL

Washington, To-day.

The Senate appropriations committee yesterday approved the Naval Appropriation Bill.—Reuter.

BLINDING HEADACHES MADE HER HELPLESS

Forced to Lie Down For Hours at a Time

The severity of this woman's headaches can be easily imagined from her statement that she seemed to lose her sight, and all power in her hands. Other sufferers from headaches will be interested to read her letter:—

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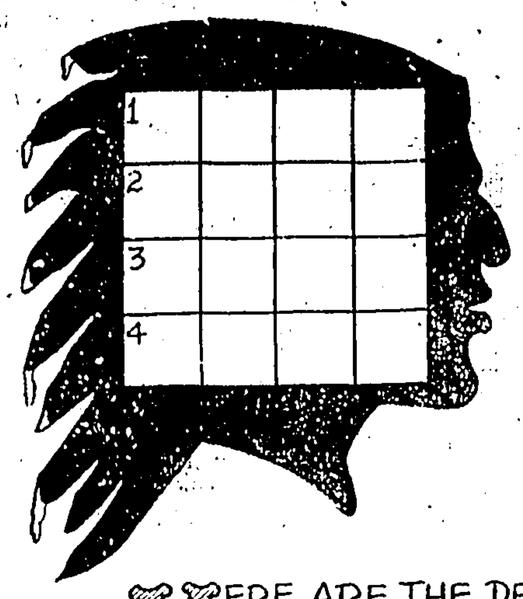

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HERE ARE THE DEFINITIONS: 1, PRAISE; 2, AGAINST; 3, INDIANS; 4, ROUND PLATE.

Answer to-morrow.

EXTENSIVE POLICE PRECAUTIONS

Quebec, To-day.

The British monarchs arrived here shortly before midnight. As the ship came to anchor at the Isle of Orleans the royal salute was fired and a gigantic pyrotechnical display lighted up both banks of the St. Lawrence. The official reception took place at 10.30. The St. Lawrence has been closed to all traffic in the neighbourhood of the ship.

As the vessel slowly proceeded up the river, the banks were lined by thousands of enthusiastic Canadians whose greetings were returned by the King and the Queen from the bridge of the ship.

The most extensive police precautions that Canada has ever seen, have been to ensure the safety of the royal party, the local police being assisted by numerous agents from Scotland Yard and detachments of the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police.

Suspicious persons are being carefully watched particularly following the sudden appearance of warning posters which were distributed in various parts of Quebec by members of the Irish Republican Army.

At the official reception those present were not permitted to move about or to leave the premises this applying also to the Government representatives.

Over 20,000 schoolchildren who greeted the Royal visitors by singing the national anthem were instructed not to move about or to leave before the King and the Queen have departed from the landing pier.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-3/4.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/8 and forward at 19-15/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.6812 and the New York — London rate at £—U.S.$4.68-1/8.

K. TONG

Following have been selected to represent Kowloon Tong in the Second Division of the Lawn Bowls League:

C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (skip).

A. E. Castro, Y. Abbas, A. J. Kew and A. H. Basto (skip).

J. N. Wong, T. K. Lim, W. J. Howard and H. Gittins (skip).

Reserves.—T. M. Gregory, H. Y. Hsu and H. Castro.

New M.C.C. President

London, May 4. — Mr. Stanley Christopherson, who was elected president of the Marylebone Cricket Club at the annual meeting at Lords last night, was a celebrated fast bowler in the middle "eighties."

Taking a long run, he made full use of his height, maintained an exceptionally good length for a bowler of his pace, and had at his command a formidable "yorker." He played a good deal for Kent for five seasons, beginning in 1883, but he strained his arm in 1886, and took little part in important cricket after 1887. Altogether he played in 50 matches for the county, and in 1884 appeared for the Gentlemen and for England against Australia at Lords. In the same season he took part in a remarkable game between an eleven of England and the Australians, which ended in four hours of actual cricket. The Englishmen made 82 and the Australians 76 and 33 for six wickets.

Mr. Christopherson was born at Blackheath, Kent, on November 11, 1861.

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SOCCER

South China Win Kotewall Cup Play-Off Against Navy

Fine Game Marred By Unfortunate Incident

SNIPPETS

SPORTS FLASHES

"Boy, it's true. It's heartbreaking, boy, but I've taken the pledge." The speaker is "Two-Ton" Tony Galento, who will meet Joe Louis for the heavyweight championship of the world.

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Hart Massey, Oxford's tiny cox in this year's boat race, weighed 5.1½, lightest ever for a boat-race cox.

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E. J. Holt, English Amateur Athletic Association hon. secretary, has gone to New York to discuss athletic business. One important item is the match with England in New York next July.

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A delegate at the annual general meeting of the Amateur Athletic Association in London, suggested that matches between England and Germany should be discontinued. The president, Lord Burghley, who was in the chair, expressed the opinion that individual clubs or associations ought not to have anything to do with politics, and the matter was dropped.

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Mrs. D. L. Little (Miss Dorothy Round) was kept on the court an hour and 50 minutes at the Herga (Harrow) lawn tennis tournament recently, before she could defeat Miss A. J. Wenyon, a 19-year-old opponent, 7-5, 16-14 in the third round.

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IS THIS CRICKET?

Writing in the "Sunday Referee," Trevor Wignall said: Practically everybody of note in England and South Africa are against these long-drawn-out Test farces, but it has been made abundantly clear that Australia is all for them, and is determined to retain them.

It is one of the burdens of cricket that for most months of any year it is afflicted with arguments. Fortunately, there is little likelihood that political influences will be required to solve the present problem.

And that remark, by the way, is a reminder to me that there is a hearty laugh embedded in the published declarations that politics have nothing whatsoever to do with the prospect that the Football Association's match with Italy in Milan may have to be cancelled.

We heard that same tale when the Australian Board of Control were sending fevered cables to the M.C.C. about the thing called body-line bowling.

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ENGLAND'S NEW RUGBY LEAGUE RECORD ATTENDANCE

At Odsal Stadium, when Halifax and Leeds met in the Rugby League Cup semi-finals, the attendance was 65,147—a record for any Rugby League match in England. The previous best was at the Leeds v Hunslet final on Leeds United A.F.C. ground last season, when 54,112 paid £3572 for admission. At the Odsal match the receipts were £3652.

The record receipts for a Rugby League match, however, were recorded at the Wembley final last May with £7174 paid by a crowd of 51,243.

Fung King-cheong was the outstanding forward in South China's attack.

BOXING

LARRY GAINS OUTCLASSED BY FARR

Cardiff, To-day.

Thirty-five thousand saw the open air fight in which Tommy Farr beat Larry Gains, who retired at the end of the fifth round of a 12-round fight, owing to an injured hand.

Farr was superior in every department and attacked throughout, landing easily to the face. He was much speedier than Gains, who relied almost entirely on his defensive skill.

Gains was almost knocked down in the fifth, Farr landing a right swing to the head.

Both weighed-in at 14 stone, 8½ pound. The threatening rain held off but there was a cold wind. —Reuter.

FINAL ACCEPTANCES FOR DERBY

London, To-day.—Following are the final acceptors for the Derby with jockeys:—

Triguero (Burns), Vesperian (Elliott), Heliopolis (Perryman), Fox Cub (Gordon Richards), Remeo II (Brethes), Hastings (Jones), Admiral's Walk (Harry Wragg), Dhoti (Smirke), Maunakea (Beary), Fairchance (Rickaby), Fairfax (Lowrey), Major Brackey (Simpson), King Legend (Carslake), Blue Peter (E. Smith), Buxton (Stephenson), Rogerstone Castle (Marshall), A Tout Maitre (Cliff Richards), Casanova (Nevett), Hypnotist (Beasley).

The following are without jockeys:—Fairstone, Wheatland, Ortiz, Bellman, Larchfield, Roderick Dhu, Dilbharah, Pointis, Snow Cap and Salford II.—Reuter.

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Losers Had As Much Of The Play But Shooting Bad

(By "UBIQUE")

SOUTH China completed their local football season yesterday when at Caroline Hill they defeated Royal Navy in the decisive game of the Kotewall Charity Cup Competition by 4 goals to 1 before the largest mid-week crowd this season.

The Chinese fielded their best team, with the exception of Cheong Wing-choy and Yeung Shui-yick who retained their places in goal and on the left wing respectively, to the exclusion of Tam Kwan-kon and Lau Tau-man.

With the return of Leung Wing-chui to the intermediate line, Lau Hing-choy took the centre half berth supported on the right by Kwok Ying-kee.

Lee Wai-tong led the attack, while Lai Shui-wing, though not completed recovered from injury sustained in Manila, was seen at inside left.

Only changes made by the Navy was in the forward line where Spiller and Wooton replaced Moores and Ford at inside left and left wing respectively.

Though Navy were eventually beaten by such a big margin, the game, on the whole, favoured them but their forwards were woefully weak in front of goal and missed several scoring chances.

On one occasion Thorburn with a yawning goal, shot wide and on another, Morris hit the cross bar with Cheong well beaten.

REGRETTABLE INCIDENT

The game was marred by a regrettable incident which culminated in Hendy being sent off the field and a penalty awarded against the Navy.

Hendy apparently resented a heavy charge of Yeung Shui-yick on the goal-keeper and demonstrated this resentment by attempting to "head" Yeung Shui-yick. The incident happened in the penalty area but the ball was in midfield.

Returning to the game it must be stated that the Navy gave as good a display as they did last Saturday.

Their intermediate line worked well together though in the closing stages Galliers fell off somewhat.

LEE WAI-TONG HELD

Against the fast tackling of Cooper, the pivot and Hendy, Lee Wai-tong was not very effective and he was generally slower that the opposing defence. His shooting was also bad. It was left to Fung to do all the manoeuvring and his display and ball control took all the attentions of the Navy players.

Yeung Shu-yick on the left wing was never really at home. He outpaced Honneywell several times but did not make the best use of his advantages.

On the right wing, Tang Kwong-saum was fast but was also inclined to dilly-dally with his centring.

GOOD NAVY BACKS

The sterling play of the Navy intermediate line aided by the steady works of Hendy and Honneywill, the backs, kept the Chinese forwards at bay for a considerable period, Dickerson dealing confidently with the shots that were directed towards him.

Navy forward line did not combine effectively. Thorburn was a great worker and was everywhere. He had hard luck in not scoring, while, in the centre, Morris was too closely watched by Lau Hing-choi to be very dangerous.

Both Armstrong and Wooton, the wingers, sent over good centres but they were invariably intercepted by Lee Ting-sang or Cheong Wing-choi.

NAVY TAKE THE LEAD

They Navy deservedly took the lead in the first half through Morris when the latter beat Cheong with a good effort. Fung equalised with a long shot into the corner of the net and before the interval Lee Wai-tong placed the Chinese in the lead with a shot that glanced off the upright into the goal. Prior to that Cooper missed a penalty against Lee Ting-sang.

Play was mostly in favour of Navy in the second half.

Spirit in which the game was played was not of the best, and several fouls were committed, but the game was still interesting.

Then came the regretable incident and from that time, after Lee netted from the penalty, play deteriorated. Before time Lai Shui-wing scored the fourth Chinese goal.

After the conclusion of the game the Cup was presented to Lee Wai-tong by Mrs. A. E. Grassett.

South China:—Cheong Wing-choy; Lee Ting-sang and Lee Kwok-wai; Kwok Ying-kee, Lau Hing-choy and Leung Wing-chui; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shui-wing and Yeung Shui-yick.

Royal Navy:—Dickerson; Hendy and Honneywill; Honneywell, Cooper and Galliers; Armstrong, Thorburn, Mooris, Spiller and Wooton.

TENNIS

DAVIS CUP PLAYERS SUFFER FROM ROUGH CROSSING

Innumerable Errors In Yesterday's Exhibitions

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

The following is the programme of "D" Division League Tennis matches for to-day, together with some of the teams:—

PROGRAMME

"D" Division (I)

K.T.G.A.	v	I.R.C. (B)
K.D.R.C.	v	K.C.C.
Y.M.C.A.	v	K.I.T.C.

"D" Division (II)

I.R.C. (A)	v	C.R.C.
C.D.R.	v	S.C.A.A.
R.P.S.C.	v	C.S.C.C.

FRIDAY
Mixed Doubles

K.C.C. (B)	v	C.R.C.
U.S.R.C.	v	C.D.R.
H.K.C.C.	v	K.C.C. (A)

The following are some of the teams:—

C.R.C.

Wei Chung and Chiu Po Hang; Cheng Chi Wing and Li Ping San; Cho Chung Yan and Lo Tung San.

C.S.C.C.

A. M. J. Wright and E. F. A. Morgan; L. G. Buckle and A. J. Peaker; Harper and B. Baxter.

European Y.M.C.A.

W. Lammex and A. Gemmell; W. Long and D. Spare; E. Curtis and A. Partridge.

I.R.C.—1st Team

M. Hassan and T. Ali; T. W. Fin and A. F. Rumjahn; I. Kitchell and E. J. Suffiad.

I.R.C.—2nd Team

M. P. Madar and M. I. Razack; T. Nazarin and J. R. Marques; K. M. Rumjahn and T. Hamet.

K.C.C.

J. M. Gillard and H. W. Crabb; K. Broch and H. Burson; A. C. Perry and T. A. Madar. Reserve—R. Blyth.

K.T.G.C.A.

L. S. Churn and K. M. Lee; Percy Chen and P. Fletcher; F. F. Lee and Edward Lee.

Radio S.C.

Wong Ching Wai and Ho Tak Sang; Fung Ying Sing and Chau Chun Ip Tso Kwok Sai and So Yau Kit.

South China A.A.

K. C. Wong and K. T. Ng; C. N. Chang and H. K. Wong; C. S. Wong and Y. K. Ho.

JAN AND AERIEL WIN YACHT BOYS EVENTS

The following were the result of races held yesterday by The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

"A" Class

Yacht	No.	Finished	Post.
Jan	A 6	16.57.37	1
Koala	A18	16.57.39	2
Guri	A20	16.57.40	3
Redshank	A10	16.57.41	4
Artemis	A 4	17.00.03	5
True Blue	A11	17.00.20	6
Nereid II	A 2	17.04.13	7
Gull	A 9	17.13.39	8
La Linda	A16	17.16.52	9
Jean	A15	17.17.19	10
Teal	A17	17.31.48	11
Kittiwake	A12	17.32.35	12
Eve	A 5	17.37.36	13
Isobel	A 7	D. N. F.	0

H. I. G. and Y Classes

		Corrected	
Aeriel	H 7	17.01.54	1
Heron	Y 3	17.03.30	2
Stella	Y 1	17.05.36½	3
Winckle	Y 2	17.08.55½	4
Dorothea	H 9	17.12.45	5
Widgeon	Y 5	17.14.31	6

F. AMPON

RAIN AGAINS INTERRUPTS LEAGUE TENNIS

Owing to the poor state of the grounds resultant upon the rainfall of Tuesday evening and yesterday morning, only one match was played in the "C" Division of the Tennis League yesterday.

South China and Recreio were very evenly-balanced and the draw of 4½ sets each was a fair indication of the play.

L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Remedios (Recreio).

beat Y. K. Ng and Y. L. Kwan	6—4
beat C. B. Wong and K. K. Wong	6—2
drew with C. C. Liu and H. C. Kwok	6—6

C. C. Pereira and J. Fonseca (Recreio).

drew with Ng and Kwan	6—6
lost to Wong and Wong	5—7
beat Liu and Kwok	7—5

M. A. Gutteres and G. A. Noronha (Recreio).

lost to Ng and Kwan	2—6
lost to Wong and Wong	2—6
drew with Liu and Kwok	6—6

OTHER GAMES POSTPONED

The other games were not played owing to the sodden state of the grounds.

To-day's Revised Programme

The following is the programme for this afternoon, weather permitting.

H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn v F. Ampon and A. Sanchez.
F. Ampon v Tsui Yan-pui.
A. Sanchez v Tsui Wai-pui.

The doubles match, in which Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing were to have appeared, has been cancelled owing to the heavy nature of the commitments the visitors are already being called upon to fulfil.

Ho and Lee very sportingly agreed to stand down.

AMPON CREATES FAVOURABLE IMPRESSION

WITH the vast improvement in the weather during the latter part of yesterday morning, the eagerly-anticipated exhibition matches in which the two Philippines Davis Cup players were featured, were held despite some misgivings in the earlier part of the day.

The Stand Court was fairly well filled and although the fact that the visitors had had a very rough crossing from Manila, combined with their inexperience of the grass surface and the slippery nature of the court, resulted in a fairly low standard throughout the five sets played, there were occasions when the flashing strokes of the Davis Cup players, made the exhibitions well worth watching.

In the two matches played, the Tsui brothers shared two sets in the curtain raiser, and Duff and Goldman lost over three sets.

More Impressive

Ampon was easily the more impressive of the two visitors. A youth of 17, very diminutive in height and looking ridiculously young to be representing his country, he made all his strokes with firmness and confidence. If there is any criticism to make of his game generally it is in the matter of his positioning in doubles. He was far too impetuous yesterday and very inclined to go for everything within possible reach however awkwardly he might have been placed.

For the rest, his return of service on the forehand was very accurate—a cross-court drive, very sharply-angled, making it extremely difficult for the incoming server to pick it up on the volley.

His volleying was incisive, and overhead, if not devastating, he was nevertheless effective with clever placements.

In the first game against the Tsuis, both Ampon and Sanchez were disconcerted by the accurate lobbing of their opponents, which, on the slippery court, was very demoralising.

Later they themselves resorted to this evidently unaccustomed stroke and throughout the remainder of the afternoon, made very good use of it.

Weak Overhead

Sanchez will have to do something very drastic about his overhead if he hopes to make any progress in American tournaments. Yesterday his smashing was the worst seen throughout the afternoon.

In other phases of the game, however, he showed his capabilities. Although faulty timing and at times careless stroking resulted in a great many errors, his return of service on the backhand—beautifully placed cross-court—his forehand drive, crisp volleying and really fine service marked him as a player of high [illegible]

pression of being uninterested and exchanges in the first match were entirely lacking in spirit.

Wai-pui roused some enthusiasm in the second set when he livened up considerably to flash out some of his best drives and volleys, but, in the first set, neither of the brothers were stroking firmly enough to withstand the powerful net attack of the Filipinos.

Started Well

Duff and Goldman started off very well in their game but Ampon and Sanchez soon took their measure. As in the first encounter,

AMADO SANCHEZ

this match was marred by innumerable errors by both teams. At his best, Goldman revealed some of his old strength on the forehand, while his backhand volleys were very nicely executed.

Duff tried very hard throughout but never appeared to settle down to the conditions. His serving throughout was accurate but in this phase of the game it might be mentioned that the number of double-faults served up in the course of the afternoon by all players must have almost reached a record!

Both Ampon and Sanchez will take part in singles matches this afternoon and, if recovered from their rough crossing, some excellent tennis should be seen.

RESULTS

A. Sanchez and F. Ampon d[illegible]

BOWLS TEAMS

The following are the teams selected to represent Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday, May 20, at 4 p.m.

FIRST DIVISION

(v. K.C.C. Home)

E. W. Simmonds, H. Strange, A. Grimmit and J. Hollidge (skip).

M. E. Purvis, C. Strange, W. Burling and M. Rakusen (skip).

R. R. Davies, R. R. Wood, L. Collyer and J. Deakin (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

(v. P.R.C. Home)

E. Kerman, J. Carr, F. Haynes and W. Bagley (skip).

F. Harper, V. Ebbage, L. Whant and W. Hillyer (skip).

F. Austin, A. B. Allan, A. Steven and S. Eccleshall (skip).

Reserves:—D. Crawley, L. Weeks, E. Bradshaw and J. Shepherd.

K.F.C. TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon Football Club in the Lawn Bowls League.

SECOND DIVISION

B. Evans, W. Simpson, V. Atienza and J. Gibson (skip).

R. Hall, J. Smalley, C. Champelovier and W. Field (skip).

J. Eastman, A. Moss, P. Younghusband and T. Ferguson (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

P. MacCarthy, W. Excell, W. Groves and V. Chittenden (skip).

B. Thomson, H. Mills, H. Bunje and V. Petherick (skip).

C. Fuller, T. White, P. Morgan and J. Ross (skip).

ELLSWORTH VINES THE GOLFER!

Ellsworth Vines, the American professional lawn tennis player, announced recently that he would compete in the British amateur golf championship.

Vines was encouraged to this decision by a round of 72 in a test at Los Angeles.

T. D. R. C.

R. Main, T. Grimes, W. Seath and D. Munro (Skip).

W. Cunningham, W. Bovaird, T. Stainton and F. Chalmers (Skip).

J. Polson, H. Gillies, W. Melrose and R. Wallace (Skip).

POLICE BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent Police Recreation Club in their lawn bowls League games on Saturday:—

First Division—J. Shepherd, C. Dowman, W. McLeod and A. E. Carey (skip).

G. Perkins, R. Ellis, F. Forrest and J. Orem (skip).

W. Mair, G. A. Channing, H. Brown and J. S. Fender (skip).

Second Division—J. R. McWalter, S. R. Farlow, N. B. Fraser and J. Riddell (skip).

W. McHardy, F. J. Kelly, J. Edwards and G. C. Moss (skip).

S. J. Johnson, J. Hunter, J. W. MacDonald and G. S. Alexander (skip).

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And Australia Has World's Finest Pair

PROBABLE CHALLENGE ROUND PROSPECTS; BROMWICH KEY MAN

As departure of our Davis Cup team approaches one hears many interesting discussions regarding its prospects writes the tennis correspondent of the "Sydney Referee."

They all centre on the Challenge Round against America, which position Australia is expected to reach without great difficulty.

Consensus of opinion seems to be that the doubles rubber will decide Australia's fate.

Despite the outstanding doubles record of Bromwich—Quist, there are many who lack confidence in the ability of this pair to win the vital rubber.

In my opinion, if the doubles match is to decide the future of the famous trophy, then Australia has every reason to feel most confident about the outcome.

The doubting element reveals the viewpoint that Quist is a very uncertain quantity regarding the winning of a singles rubber.

On his day, they aver, he may be capable of so doing, but if two singles

ADRIAN QUIST

are to be won Bromwich is the player that will have to do the job.

The tremendous mental and physical strain of such a procedure is then put forth as a reason why his play in the doubles rubber will be seriously handicapped.

Then again, it is argued, if Quist fails in his first singles match, he may lack confidence to attain his best form in the doubles match on the second day.

These two aspects, coupled with the "footfault" tendencies possessed by both Bromwich and Quist, particularly the latter, are advanced as reasons for doubting their ability to succeed in a doubles match that means so much to Australia.

Not Impossible Task

Quist's prospects in singles against high-class opposition are certainly open to doubt. If he produces his best, then victory on each occasion is well within his grasp.

Such circumstances are in the lap of the "gods of sport," and only the occasion itself can supply the answer as to whether the best Quist is functioning.

Australia must win two singles to have a chance of success, and Bromwich is the one we look to for performance of this herculean task.

matches. Likewise Budge for America.

Their successes were recorded against opponents of much greater class than will oppose Bromwich this year.

Incidentally, both Perry and Budge played prominent parts in winning Davis Cup doubles matches to clinch the issue of the respective series.

Despite his unimpressive and unorthodox stroke equipment Bromwich has proved his outstanding ability during the last eighteen months.

Budge, often referred to as the greatest player of all times, has been the only one to prove his master, and, even so, not so convincingly.

Thus the conclusion is reached that Bromwich has every chance of notching the necessary dual singles victories for Australia, and clinching the issue by playing his usual part in a doubles victory against any American combination.

Our Greatest Pair

Acting on the assumption that Australia can capture two singles matches, no matter by whose efforts, it makes the doubles match one of utmost importance.

It is a position which every sound critic of tennis must say is decidedly in favour of Australia.

In the Bromwich-Quist combination we have a team which has established an illustrious record, and one which makes it the logical claimant for the honour of being the greatest pair ever to play for this country.

Rather unusual circumstances surround their springing into existence as a pair.

Midway through 1937 each was scheduled to appear in championship events in Brisbane, Queensland.

A semi-official request from the National authorities was made, I understand, that Bromwich and Quist should pair together in the doubles championship.

Even in moments of the wildest imagination one could never have forecast the amazing success that has accrued to this pairing.

The opposition encountered in the Queensland tourney was not of high standard and Bromwich-Quist were able to capture the title quite comfortably.

The success actually was not of great import, but it must have been pleasing to those responsible for it, and certainly the new combination warranted a further trial.

Extreme Test

With Budge-Mako (U.S.A.) and Cramm-Henkel (Germany) en route for Australia, it was quite evident we would soon see Bromwich-Quist tested in the extreme.

The American pair, holders of their country's National doubles, and Wimbledon doubles titles, as well as being outstanding in Davis Cup doubles matches, were regarded as the world's No. 1 pair.

In close proximity to them, and always a serious danger, was the German combination of Von Cramm-Henkel, who were rightly regarded as the No. 2 pair in world's grading.

With the renowned Crawford-McGrath pair also ready for action, as soon as the international season got under way, Quist and Bromwich were confronted with a more searching test.

At this stage Bromwich had definitely convinced even his severest critics that he was Australia's No. 1 singles player.

His doubles ability was an entirely different matter, because of his ambidextrous stroke equipment.

uppish left-handed ground strokes, suggested a lack of the aggression so essential for high-class doubles play.

Unorthodox tactics and lack experience against top-rank doubles pairs were other handicaps that overshadowed the youthful Australian.

Knowing the classic doubles pairs he would soon be opposing, many contended that Bromwich's type of play would provide an absolute feast for his doubles opponent.

It is tennis history now how the "Bromwich :Doubles Feast" did not eventuate.

Mechanical Accuracy

Bromwich's mechanical accuracy enabled him to effect ground stroke returns of low rajectory, both in return of service and during rallies.

His amazing retrieving ability frequently resulted in seeming winning strokes by the opposition going back to difficult spots that brought errors.

Furthermore, unorthodox tactics often allowed him to make openings which only himself seemed to realise existed.

It was soon evident that Bromwich was not the easy mark in doubles that he seemed. Even so, I think, the visiting pairs and our own leading combinations considered he was still the vulnerable spot of his team.

Early defeats of Budge-Mako and Henkel-Von Cramm by Quist-Bromwich greatly increased the confidence of the Australia pair.

I closely watched the first matches which the Australian combination played against the respective visiting pairs.

Bromwich, of course, was the centre of attack in both matches, but lightning-like serves, fierce volleys, and smashes could not break down his robot-like play.

I was rather astounded at the fact that a player with his cumbersome doubles style of play could prove so effective.

His methods were against all precedent for high-class doubles play, and should have proved most vulnerable against classic aggression on the part of the Americans and Germans.

Quist Realised Position

I feel certain that Bromwich's reactions to the efforts of the champion doubles exponents was an eyeopener to Quist, and gave him tremendous confidence.

In the left court, at his best, Quist is without a peer in the world in doubles.

Any doubts he had concerning Bromwich's ability appeared to disappear early in his first match with him against Budge-Mako.

Bromwich's "Gibraltar-like" defence allowed Quist to exploit his renowned doubles ability to the fullest.

He rose to great heights, and gave the most brilliant and finished exhibition that one could wish for. Virtoire.

Victory, of course, went to the Australian pair, and a short time afterwards a similar result was achieved at the expense of Henkel-Von Cramm.

From that time onward the Quist-Bromwich combination has recorded triumphs that leave little doubt that they are established as the best pair in the world during the last two years.

Complete mastery over Budge-Mako, Henkel-Von Cramm, Hopman-Schwartz and Crawford-McGrath is absolute verification of their prowess.

Quist Not Affected

Strangely enough the "footfault bogy" does not upset Quist in doubles as is the case in singles.

His ability is not undermined by frequent "footfault calls," neither does he suffer temperamental lapses in concentration and the will to win.

Bromwich seems to have a most steadying influence on his older part-

Tennis Stars In Revolt

The British Lawn Tennis Association is facing a revolt of ranked players and first-class players due to their action in regard to the selection committee for the 1939 season.

Mr. E. R. Avory and H. G. N. Lee, leading British lawn tennis players, were nominated by the players as advisers to the selection committee. This was with the approval of the L.T.A. The selection committee ignored them, and both players resigned in protest.

Then followed the election of the 1939 selection committee. The players were again asked to select a candidate. They selected E. R. Avory.

When the results of the election were announced it was found that Avory had been rejected and the five old selectors had been elected en bloc.

There is a move on foot to call a meeting of all players to discuss the situation and formulate a plan of action. It is rumoured that drastic action will be resorted to to compel the L.T.A. to recognise the rights of the players.

The meeting will be called when the L.T.A. asks the players to nominate two players as advisers to the selection committee. Following the Avory-Lee incident, there is a great deal of doubt as to whether there will be any acceptances.

A FAMILY RUGGER FIFTEEN

Sydney. — A Rugby fifteen, all closely related to one another, played at Drury, N.Z., on April 8. Moreover, they won the match, says the "New Zealand Herald:"

"A Rugby match of unusual interest was between a team composed of 14 grandsons and one great-grandson of the late Mr. James Cossey, of Drury, and members of the Drury Rugby Club. The last match played by the Cossey family was on October 13, 1934, when they beat a Drury side by 12 points to 8. The family combination was again successful in the latest match, by 14 to 11.

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"Born in Onehunga in 1849, the late Mr. Cossey came to Drury with his parents when quite a small child. At the time of his death on July 31, 1937, aged 88, there were 12 children, six sons and six daughters, 56 grandchildren, and 47 great-grandchildren.

"The Cossey team comprised: Albert Cossey (captain), Reginald Cossey, William Cossey, Douglas Cossey, Patrick Cossey, Thomas Cossey, Ewen Cossey, Leslie Cossey, Ronald Cossey, Keith Cossey, Lawrence Cossey, Sidney Cossey, Reginald Bregman, Percy Platt, and Kenneth Morgan. The linesmen, Messrs. Alfred and James Cossey, were sons of the old Drury pioneer.

"The match was in aid of funds for the United Districts queen, Miss Jessie Parker. The carnival is to raise the balance of money required for the district's Centennial effort, a Plunket restroom and a children's playground."

Barbara Gilmar (Soprano) From The Studio

To-day's Wireless

Variety Programme: Dance Music

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M. (9.52 megacycles)

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Schumann—Fantasia In C Major, Op. 17.
Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano).

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Len Fillis in a Hawaiian Programme.
An Old Hawaiian Guitar (Leon & Towers); Swanee Moon (Leon, Towers & Pelosi).....Hawaiian Guitar Solo by Len Fillis with Scott Wood at the Piano.
My Little Grass Shack In Kealakekua (Harrison-Noble); Hilo Hanakahi (Halekalea).....Kanui & Lula (Instrumental) with Vocal Effects.
Hawaiian Happiness—Medley. Intro: Aloha Oe; Aloma; Aloha Beloved; Song of the Islands; O Sole Mio; Moonlight Bay; Aloha Oe....Len Fillis & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.
Tomi, Tomi; Oua, Oua.....Kanui & Lula (Instrumental) with Vocal Effects.
My Hula Love—Medley March.....Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Compositions of Lehar.
Fear Nothing (Operetta 'Paganini'—Lehar)....Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra.
"Gipsy Love"—Selection...De Groot & His Orchestra.
Love Never Comes Too Late (Operetta 'Paganini'); Nobody Could Love You More (Operetta 'Paganini')....Richard Tauber (Tenor) and Evelyn Laye (Soprano) with the Lyceum Theatre Orchestra.
The Land Of Smiles—Selection.....London Theatre Orchestra cond. by Ernest Irving.
The Czarevitch (Operetta in Brief)....Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) and Tresi Rudolph (Soprano) with Chorus & Orchestra from the Berlin State Opera (Sung in German).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—"Nights at the Ballet"—Selection. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay — 'Stone Of Contention'. The extravagant story of how Cleopatra's Needle came to stand on the Thames Embankment by Anthony Gittins. Production by Robert Kemp.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Schubert — Rosamunde — Ballet Music. Berlin State Opera Orchestra conducted by Prof. Robert Heger.

8.15 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Barbara Gilmar (Soprano).

1. Villanelle (Delacqua).
2. Les Filles de Cadiz (Delibes).

Interlude
Waltz Of The Hours ('Coppelia'—Delibes); Variations ('Coppelia' Delibes).... Symphony Orchestra cond. by Clemens Schmalstich.

3. Bercuse (Jarnefelt).
4. Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes (arr. Quilter).
5. Wine, Women and Song (Strauss).

8.45 p.m.—Liszt—Les Preludes — Symphonic Poem. London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

9.02 p.m.—Songs by Jussi Bjorling (Tenor).
Woman is Fickle ('Rigoletto'—Verdi); Heavenly Aida, divine Aida ('Aida'—Verdi); Your Tiny Hand Is Frozen ('La Boheme'—Puccini).

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs', by Sir Alfred Zimmern, Montague Burton Professor of International Relations in the University of Oxford.

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—A Variety Programme with Ginger Rodgers, Harry Croudson, The Hill Billies, Gerry Moore and Primo Scala's Piano Accordion Band.
Whistling Gipsy (from 'Comand Performance')....Primo Scala's Piano Accordion Band.
An Evening With You—Slow Fox-Trot (film 'Colleen'); I've Got Two Lips—Quickstep.... Gerry Moore (Piano).
No Strings (film 'Top Hat'); Isn't This A Lovely Day (film 'Top Hat').....Ginger Rogers (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Medley No. 5. Intro: My Heart and I; A Little Rendezvous in Honolulu; Diddle-dum-dee; Why Did she fall for the Leader of the Band; Alone; Fancy meeting you....Harry Croudson (Organ) with Vocal Chorus by Ken Beaumont.
Where I Ain't Been Before (film 'Wells Fargo'); The Cowboy's Dream (arr. Hill Billies).....The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment.
With All My Heart—Fox-Trot (film 'Her Master's Voice'); Taggin' Along With You—Quickstep ..... Gerry Moore (Piano).
Whoops We Go Again (Harvey); If The Old River Thames Were The Danube (Roberts-Butler).....Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

10.30 p.m.—Latest Dance Music.

Quickstep-Shut-Eye: Fox-Trot—I Go For That (film 'St. Louis Blues').....Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Sweethearts (from the film); Quickstep—Where Is Our Blue Bird of Melody Lane....Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—The Same Old Story; The Lady On The Second Floor..... Geraldo & His Orchestra.
Tangos—Desprecio: Ciertos Amores ....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Fox-Trot—Between A Kiss And A Sigh: Quickstep—Could Be ..... Geraldo & His Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.

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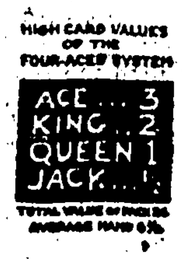
South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

	♠ K Q J 4 ♡ K 8 7 ◇ K Q 8 5 3 ♣ 2	
♠ A 10 3 ♡ 9 6 ◇ A 7 2 ♣ J 8 6 5 4	N W E S	♠ 9 8 7 6 2 ♡ 5 3 ◇ 9 6 4 ♣ K Q 7
	♠ 5 ♡ A Q J 10 4 2 ◇ J 10 ♣ A 10 9 3	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♡	Pass	2◇	Pass
3♡	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♡	Pass	5♡	Pass
6♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

To-day's hand took place in a Duplicate game at the Harmonie Club in New York City. No sooner was the hand concluded than North and South, who had attempted a Small Slam missing two Aces, appealed to us, each partner indignantly accusing the other of overbidding. Our conclusions were as follows:



South's first rebid to three hearts was fairly sound, although it was based mainly on distribution rather than a plethora of high cards. North now decided to reveal his distribution more fully by showing his spade suit. South's next bid was of course proper—a simply rebid of four hearts; and North then decided that since he had underbid the hand up to this point, he was entitled to invite a Slam by raising to five hearts. While this was true, South now concluded that his partner's bid had shown probable to South, especially since he was certain that North would hold a singleton club.

We believe that 60% of the blame should be attributed to South, for he had already bid his hand right up to the hilt and had no license to contract for the Slam. However, North's bid of three spades followed by his subscequent raise in hearts did appear to show the spade Ace, and we therefore charge him with 40% of the blame for the disaster. We believe that over South's three heart bid North should have jumped to five hearts—a bid which would have shown fine support but denied any Aces. And, needless to say, South should then have refused to continue to the Slam since his opponents would be sure to hold two Aces.

You dealt yesterday and held:

♠ A K x x
♡ A K Q J x x
◇ A x
♣ x

What do you bid?

ANSWER: Your correct bid is two hearts. You want to play the hand at game irrespective of what your partner has.

Score 100% for two hearts, 40% for one heart, 0 for any other bid including three or four hearts.

Question No. 102

You are Howard Schenken's partner and hold:

♠ A K 10
♡ A K 10 9
◇ K Q J 10 x x
♣ —

The bidding:

Jacoby	You	Maier	Schenken
1♣	(?)		

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Hold That Kiss" Comedy jostles romance when a shop-girl on holiday and a travel agency clerk mistake each other for "high society" and put up a bluff that lands them in all manner of laughable mishaps before they reach the altar. With Maureen O'Sulivan, Dennis O'Keefe and Mickey Rooney.

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AT THE MAJESTIC — "Stablemates", with Wallace Berry and Mickey Rooney. The story, a dramatic unfolding of the friendship which exists between a once famous veterinary and a stable boy, has the flavour of "The Champ," the memorable picture which starred Wallace Beery with Jackie Cooper.

AT THE STAR — "The Awful Truth", with Irene Dunne and Cary Grant in a super-sophisticated comedy, guaranted to please.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"You Can't Take It With You". With Lionel Barrymore, Jean Arthur, James Stewart, Edward Arnold and Mischa Auer.

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AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA—"Ambush." A fast-moving tale of ultra modern bandits, a girl who is trapped by them, and the thrilling means by which her boy friend rescues her and breaks up the gang. With Gladys Swarthout, Lloyd Nolan, William Henry, William Frawley, Ernest Truex and Broderick Crawford.

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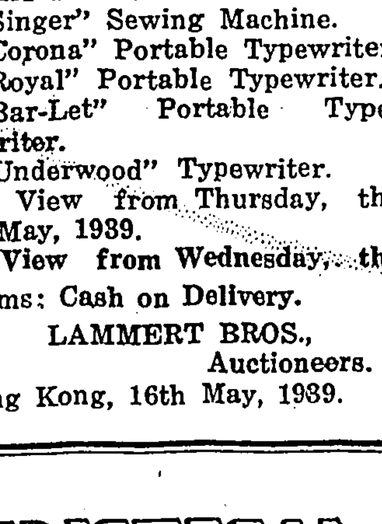

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GAFENCU'S BID FOR BALKAN COOPERATION

Bucharest, To-day.

Close economic union of the four countries forming the Balkan Entente, was envisaged by Dr. Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, in an address at yesterday's opening session of the Entente's Economic Council. Recent happenings, he said, would help to bring this goal nearer realization.

Although the Balkan Entente bore primarily a political character, it had become necessary to buttress it by some sort of trade organisation.

Collaboration between members of the Entente particularly in the field of production and communications had become imperative in order to achieve their common ideal which could be summed up in the words — peace, security and independence.

BULGARIA'S REFUSAL

After referring to the outstanding part played by the Danube in the system of Balkan communications, the Rumanian Minister gave the assurance that there was not the slightest intention to exclude any of the Balkan countries from the planned trade organisation. He deplored the fact that Bulgaria had declined to accept an invitation to attend the conference. It deserved to be borne in mind, he added, that the Balkan Entente was not directed against any other country. Neither did it seek to restrict in any way relations developed by member States with other European powers.

Speeches along similar lines were delivered by the Turkish, Greek and Yugoslav delegates whereupon the conference was adjourned to enable various committees to outline their proposals. — Trans-Ocean.

SUCCUMBED TO TEMPTATION

Mr. F. E. W. Lammert, of No. 9, Salisbury Avenue, this morning appeared, as complainant, before Mr. E. Himsworth when a carpenter, Wan Kam, 35, was charged with the theft of a silver water-dish, valued at $45, from his address yesterday.

Inspector J. S. Johnson, prosecuting, said accused was seen entering a marine shop in Wanchai with a paper parcel. Questioned, he said the dish had been given to him by Mr. Lammert's boy for repair. The master of the marine shop told the constable that accused wanted to sell it to him.

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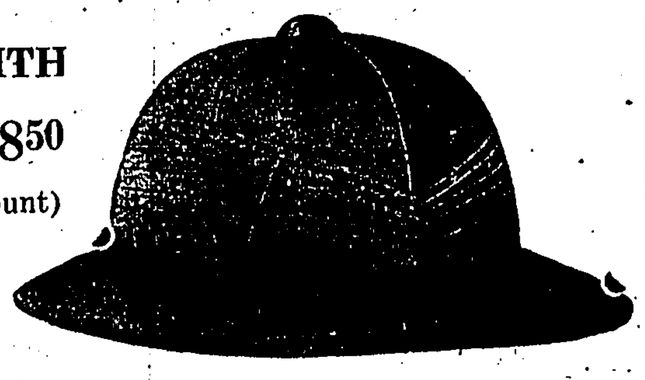

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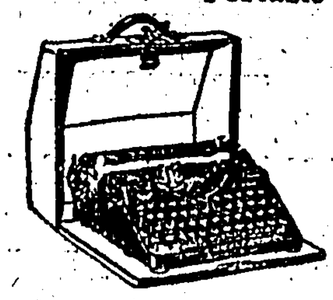

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